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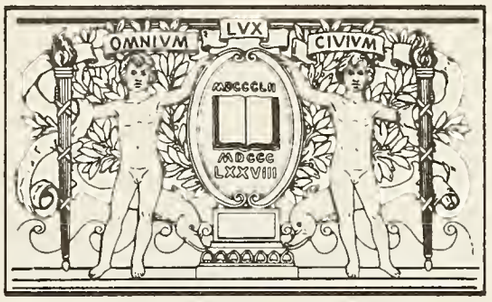


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Includes family data from *A Genealogy of the Viets Family*
published in 1902 by Francis Hubbard Viets (1854-1934)
and from the unpublished research of
Harriet Isabella Viets
(1874-1953)

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# PREFACE

This book on the descendants of Dr. John Viets of Simsbury, Connecticut, is a compilation of information collected by three different descendants of three different generations: Francis Hubbard Viets, Harriet Isabella Viets, and Dorothy Dean (Viets) Schell.

Francis Hubbard Viets, 1854-1934, was a minister in the Congregational denomination. [See No. 338.] In the preface to his 1902 genealogy of the Viets family he wrote:

> . . . A genealogy is made up largely of names and dates, but this need not indicate that such a work is dry and meaningless. A name with two dates standing as sentinels, the one at the gate of entrance into life, the other at the gate of exit, means much. A name stands for a life with its joys, sorrows, labors, hopes. A mother as she gave the dates of the birth and death of her boy burst into tears; a love was there, a hope, yes, a life, whose history no pen can trace, which only the heart knows. . . .
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> . . . Research has been made to learn as much as possible about the early fathers of the Viets family. Town and probate records have been searched, old letters and other papers have been brought forth to testify, gravestones have been conferred with, the oldest living members of the family have been consulted, and every available source of information resorted to. Only one thing is lacking to make the record of early generations complete and perfect in every instance, and that is some means by which the departed may be made to speak. . . .

Harriet Isabella Viets, 1874-1953, shouldered the task of carrying the Viets family history onward from 1902. [See No. 603.] The name on her birth and death registrations was "Harriet Isabella." However, she was known as "Isabel" to her family. Many of her letters were addressed to "H. Isabel." She collected much data, wrote many letters to descendants, but did not reach her goal of publishing before her death in 1953. She followed the style set forth in the 1902 history, starting at the beginning of that book, correcting errors, adding her new material, and continuing the generations. She was very accurate and organized. Before her death she had produced a manuscript <u>beautifully</u> <u>hand-printed</u> down through the sixth generation. In her research material, each line was written up and sorted by families, then filed along with the letters written to her. In her papers she had amassed almost complete data to carry the manuscript forward to about 1950.

She left a tiny spiral notebook in which she had quickly dashed off in pencil a rough draft of a preface. In this she expressed some of her feelings about her manuscript:

> After a visit to Newgate Prison and the home of Capt. John Viets in 1935 the compiler became more deeply interested in the Viets family. After a few months I felt that the Genealogy that had been published in 1902 should be written up to date as there was much to be added in 36 years. Consequently the following year the work of doing this was begun.

Among her research notes were many newspaper clippings of births, marriages, deaths, etc., many of them having been sent to her by various relatives. It seems to be a fact of life that most clippings of this nature have neither a date, nor the name of the publication where they were published!

Dorothy Dean (Viets) Schell, 1919-____: [See No. 857.] I became interested in my Viets heritage in the 1970s. I collected much material and in 1982 published a book on my direct line back to Dr. John Viets. [See Schell in the Bibliography.] Having delved into the early history of the family I took a trip to Connecticut and, like Frank Hubbard Viets and Harriet Isabella before me, visited Newgate Prison and the other areas where our ancestors lived. And the rest is history - presented between these covers.

My greatest pleasure was when Charles Kingsbury, a Viets' descendant living in East Granby, Connecticut, presented me with the mass of material that his great aunt, Harriet Isabella Viets, had left to him. This launched me on the monumental task of extending the Viets history a few more generations.

Since I had two compilers before me I tried to follow their plan as closely as possible. I know that a genealogy can never be complete, especially when there is no real beginning or end. The end seems to be when one lays down the pen for the last time (or in this modern age, turns off the computer for the last time). My biggest regret is that not every member of the family is interested in his or her heritage, and that dozens (hundreds?) of my letters have gone unanswered.

H. Isabel Viets planned to carry the female lines down two, or even three generations. I soon found that the inclusion of all the material amassed by her on some female lines was impossible. The reasons for this are several. The primary deterrents were economy and space. Had I included this material the book would have had to be published in two volumes and at a much greater expense. Since many female lines have not been traced I felt that to be fair to all families, the second and third female generations should not be included. [At a later time I plan to print copies of the data on the female lines and see that it is deposited in appropriate libraries.]

To emphasize this point I would like to quote Laird C. Towle, Ph.D., from Heritage Book News, No. 44.:

> Books showing the descendants of some early couple are usually of interest provided they begin at an early time. The best books of this type follow the male lines only, but for many generations and very completely. Such books should be limited to the male lines because that format makes the books much more useful. When female lines are included, they quickly outnumber the male lines and the book ends up containing hundreds of surnames which cannot possibly be listed on the spine of the book or in a library card catalog. The result is that the female-line data is effectively lost to future researchers. In addition, the inclusion of female lines almost always makes the book so big that it is extremely expensive, and most book buyers do not appreciate having to pay for a lot of data that doesn't interest them.

A statement must be made about the documentation for this book. Because much of the early part of the book comes from the 1902 Viets family history that part is poorly documented. Francis Hubbard Viets listed no specific references. H. Isabel Viets likewise failed to supply many references. She occasionally did quote from a book, and these, for the most part, I have left intact. They both, like me, wrote many letters to descendants, so that much of the data comes from the families themselves.

As I researched I added to the data of the early generations and documented some of the work of the other two researchers. I have added short references to much of my own work. The complete references can be found in the bibliography at the end of the book. In my opinion many references would clutter a book of this type and would be of no consequence to the reader. Therefore some have been omitted.

This has been truly a labor of love. I have had much pleasure in getting to know some of you, either in person or by correspondence. Some neglected to answer my pesky, prying letters, and that is their prerogative. I apologize for the "holes" or missing data in this tale of the Viets family. I assure you I tried to leave no stone unturned for documenting membership in the family. And I shall keep trying long after this book is published.

My best "friend" during the production of this book has been my trusty computer (a horse-and-buggy era Apple II+) without which I would never have attempted such an awesome job. I feel a very close kinship with both Francis Hubbard Viets and H. Isabel Viets. They both did very creditable jobs for which I am very grateful. I can but wonder what they would think of this "computer" age in which we live. It would have simplified their jobs immensely.

Since I know that some of you will read my book looking for errors, I have included a few. These I hope, are not too numerous. In this type of book, with many dates, some given from memory by older descendants, and the copying

of material from many sources, mistakes are inevitable. When you find an error I ask that you call it to my attention so that the record may be corrected.

I gratefully acknowledge the help of each and everyone of you who sent material on your families. I could not have done it without you. A big thank you to those who sent detailed material on entire lines of the family. I have made a special effort to give credit to them by including their names with the appropriate sections in the book.

I would also like to express my appreciation to Mary Jane Springman and Betty Finnell Guinan, authors of "East Granby, the Evolution of a Connecticut Town" for permission to quote from their book.

I would never have undertaken this task without the help of two people. First, I would like to thank my husband, Stewart C. Schell, for his great patience. He assumed the running of our household to free my time for the preparation of "the book." He also accompanied me on many researching trips where I spent endless hours in libraries, court houses and cemeteries.

Secondly, I must acknowledge the great help from my genealogical colleague, Kathleen Peck Probasco. Her constant encouragement, her superb editorial ability, and her diligent proofreading made the whole thing possible. Thanks, Kathy, we have reached our goal!

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## EXPLANATION

This book is written in the same format as the 1902 Viets genealogy, using the numbering system of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, known as the "Register Plan": the number 1 is assigned to the earliest person (Dr. John Viets). His spouse is not given a number. Their children are assigned Roman numerals starting with "i" to indicate birth order. Children who marry are assigned linking arabic numbers. (In a few cases unmarried members have been written up in the following generation also.) I have deviated a bit from the "Register Plan" by not giving arabic numbers to any children who died young or for whom I had little or no data. These were not carried to the next generation. Thus each child listed who has an arabic number in front of his or her name will be found under that number in the next generation.

I have omitted the Viets surname from the listing of the children of a male Viets. The surname of the children of a female member of the family is included and underlined. I continued the practice of H. Isabel Viets of omitting "Connecticut" after the name of a town in that state unless I felt the omission may cause confusion.

Please note that there are variations in the spelling of the Viets name. Descendants of Herbert Leon Viets of Suffield, Connecticut, preferred to spell the name Vietts and some descendants of Russell Viets of Southington, Ohio, choose to spell it Veits. All given names, regardless of the spelling of the surname, are listed alphabetically in the index.

## ABBREVIATIONS

AFN# - Individual's number, Ancestral File (Computer), Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.
ca - circa, Latin for "about."
FHF# - Microfilm reel number, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.
FHM# - Microfiche number, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.
FHV, HIV, DVS - the material refers specifically to one of the three compilers: Frank Hubbard Viets, H. Isabel Viets, Dorothy Viets Schell.
IGI - International Genealogical Index of the Latter Day Saints (Mormon) Church. This contains approximately 120,000,000 entries for vital records, christenings, marriages, etc.
LDS Branch Library - libraries at local churches of the Latter Day Saints. These have the complete catalog for all material in the Family History Library in Salt Lake City; microfilms may be rented for reading in the branch library.
[sic] - indicates a word that appears to be spelled erroneously is correct.
Viets Genealogy - 1902 book published by Francis Hubbard Viets.
VR - Vital records. With a town name, indicates taken from town hall records. "Barbour" - the Barbour Collection, abstracts of most Connecticut town

records of births, marriages, and deaths from colonial days to 1850. These are at the Connecticut State Library and on microfilm in many genealogical libraries including the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah. "Hale" - the Charles R. Hale collections of cemetery inscriptions, 1640s to ca 1934, and of newspaper notices of deaths and marriages ca 1750s to 1900 abstracted from about ninety Connecticut newspapers. These are also on film as above.

[] - Brackets are used primarily for my own notes and references.

Lyrics written by Duane W. Griffin, a Viets descendant, to be sung to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne" at the Viets reunions:

## AULD LANG SYNE

(New Version)

More than two hundred years ago,
The Vietses landed here;
And soon had made their humble home,
In this west hemisphere;
We, their descendants who remain,
Their memory would revive;
And keep it ever fresh and green,
That it may always live.

If farmers keep a pedigree,
Of horses, sheep and cows;
And even hens and pigs record,
And some their fine bow-wows;
Should relatives be soon forgot,
And never brought to mind?
If animals we prize so dear,
Why not the human kind?

Such "thoroughbreds" we value not,
For them we've little use.
Of ancestors alone we boast,
And offer no excuse;
For of our "stock" we are most proud,
We will not sell or trade,
Nor will we ever mix our blood,
With that of lower grade.

Nay, we will never more forget,
Our kin of long ago.
But tell of all their noble deeds,
And all their virtues too.
For blood like this we're proud to say
Now in our veins doth flow;
So this our fame, to bear the name,
If not--the nature show.

--Duane N. Griffin

# V I E T S  F A M I L Y

## Name - Origin and Spelling

Among the nations of modern Europe, family names may in some cases be traced back as far as the tenth century. In early times each individual bore one name only, which, after the coming of Christianity, was usually given at baptism. The surname or overname (so called from the fact that it was at first written over the given name) like most innovations came into general use slowly.

When surnames came into use they were often found ready at hand in the occupation, place of residence, or some characteristic of the persons to whom they were given. The origin of such names as Tanner, Carpenter, and Smith needs no explanation. Some names had their origin in words no longer in use in common speech or in a forgotten dialect, and are more difficult to trace.

The origin of the name Viets may be looked for among the dialects included under the general term German or Teutonic. It seems probable, if not certain, that this name is from an old Teutonic given name Veit or Viet, which corresponds with the common English name Guy, a shorter form of Guido and of the same origin and meaning as the word guide.

Adelung in his Dictionary of the High German Dialect gives the following: Veit, Latin Vitus, a man's given name of ancient German origin, and contracted from Guido.

Calisch, an eminent scholar in Holland, informs us that Veit and Guy are corresponding Dutch and English forms of the same name.

The original meaning of the word Viet can only be inferred from the meanings of kindred words. The Gothic vitan, meaning to take heed; the Anglo-Saxon witan, to know; the English wit, the German witz, meaning wit, acuteness, good sense; the Latin video, to see; and the English guide are all akin, both in form and meaning.

The word Viet came to be used as a boy's given name, the original meaning of the word being at length lost sight of. This name gained wide currency from the fact that it was borne by a distinguished saint who died a boy martyr in the reign of Diocletian in the fourth century, known in Germany as Saint Veit, or Viet; in Latin, St. Vitus. Though he died in youth, such was his fame for good works that he became the Patron Saint of Saxony and Bohemia and throughout Germany was regarded in the popular superstition as one of the fourteen helpers in time of need. Evidence of the esteem in which he was held is seen in names of places, there being as many as four towns named St. Veit,

also a St. Veitsberg and a St. Veit's mountain, and in Bavaria a place named Veitshocheim; while on the borders of Holland and Germany there is said to be a place called Veit's Flat. From the belief that this saint could cure the dancing malady, the disease came to be called St. Vitus' dance; in Germany Veitstanz. His day on the calendar was June 15th, hence the garden bean, which began to be edible about this time, was called in some regions the Veits bean. Among old German proverbs are: "Holy St. Veit, wake me in time, wake me neither too early nor too late; wake me when it strikes five." and "Rain on St. Veit's day brings a fruitful year."

The name St. Veit is sometimes spelled St. Viet in German, and in the high German of the Middle Ages was pronounced the same as Viet in Modern German.

Veit or Viet, in use for centuries as a common name, came at length to be applied as the surname of a family. How this came about is a matter of conjecture. St. was dropped from the name in the course of time and a final s added. In modern high German the correct spelling of the name as we pronounce it is Viet and Viets, for ie in modern German is pronounced ee while ei is pronounced i.

The father of John and Henry Viets spelled his name John Viet, or Viett, while in the records of the old Dutch Church in New York his name is written Veet. On the same records is also recorded the name of one Margrita Veets, who was sponsor at a baptism in 1702 and again in 1734. On the gravestone of the widow of Dr. John in Simsbury, the name is written Vets. This is the phonetic spelling of some stonecutter, as Phelps is sometimes spelled Felps in old records. John and Henry, the sons of Dr. John, added s to the name Viett, as the father wrote it, making it Vietts. A few years later one t was dropped, and the name since about 1750 has been written Viets by the descendants of John and Henry, with few exceptions. [Several families in Ohio spell it Veits.] The fact that this is the spelling of the name in public and family records, and in the almost unvarying usage of branches of the family widely separated from Nova Scotia to California, is good reason for preserving it without change.

Dr. Henry Viets of Boston, who visited Holland some years ago, met a Jan Viets who told him that he never heard the name outside of Holland - that in the vicinity where he lived there were many of the name. Also at the time of Princess (later Queen) Juliana's sojourn in Ottawa during World War II, a member of her household informed Robert Viets who lived close by that there were many "Wietses" in the Netherlands.

## Family Characteristics

One of the speakers at a Viets' reunion named characteristics of the family as honesty, modesty, and oddity. The family is characterized by industrious and home-abiding qualities and by abhorrence of vice and crime. Those of this name are, as a rule, deliberate, just, and fair minded.

## Historical View

Simsbury was settled about 1664 and became a town in 1670. The first settler was John Griffin, who came there to manufacture tar and turpentine from the pine woods. In 1786 the northern half of Simsbury was set off as a separate town under the name of Granby, and included the district of old Simsbury known as the Falls. In 1859 East Granby was set off from Granby. The center lies east of the mountain. The district known as "The Falls" is west of the mountain in the extreme southwestern part of the town, and enjoys the eminence of being the earliest settled portion of East Granby, as it was of the mother town of Simsbury. In 1709 there were but two families living within the limits of the present town of East Granby, and these were the families of John Griffin and Joshua Holcomb, both living at the Falls. The next year, 1710, marked the advent of Dr. John Viets, who settled at the Falls, then a part of Simsbury. From his two sons have sprung all of the Viets' name in Connecticut, probably in New England, and most of those in the entire United States.

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# Ten Dollars Reward.

LAST Night eſcaped from *New Gate Priſon* at Simſbury, one John Hinſon, lately committed for Burglary, who is about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, has black Eyes, dark Hair, of a fair Complexion, and about twenty Years of Age—(he was helped out by ſome evil minded Perſons from without). Whoever will take up ſaid Fellow, and return him to the Subſcriber Maſter of ſaid Priſon, or ſhall diſcover thoſe that aided him in his ſaid Eſcape, ſo that they may be brought to conviction, ſhall have TEN DOLLARS reward, paid by

January 10, 1774. JOHN VIETS.

Escape notice from the "Connecticut Courant,"
January 11, 1774

## FIRST GENERATION

### 1. (Dr. John[1])

Possibly the earliest written colonial record of Dr. John Viets, the progenitor of the Viets family in America, is the following marriage notation from the First Dutch Reformed Church of New York City, now the Marble Collegiate church:

> A 1700 Apr. 24 Johannes Veet, j.m. Van Brisach, in Sweden, en Catherina Meyers, j.d. Van N. Yorck, beyde woonende alhier. ["Marriage Records from 1639 to 1801 in the Reformed Dutch Church," New York Genealogical and Biographical Record.]

J.m. and j.d. are the Dutch abbreviations for "young man" and "young woman" respectively, indicating that this is likely the first marriage for each; "beyde woonende alhier" translates as "both living here," i.e., New York City. Notice of the marriage, bearing a slightly different date, is also found in the public records of the province of New York:

> April 27, 1700, John Veet and Catharine Meyers.

It is the consensus of most researchers that John Viets was a German, and that the Viets family is of German origin, despite the fact that the church marriage record states that he was from Sweden. No "Brisach" has been located in Sweden, while there is a Breisach in the state of Baden, Germany. It seems likely that "Sweden" was erroneously entered for "Schwaben" which is a term used to designate an area of Baden-Wuerttemberg.

Breisach is on the Rhine in the Duchy of Baden, Germany. The family traditions point to Germany, never to Sweden. The library of Dr. John Viets, if we may trust the appraisers of his estate, was in the German language.

It should, however, be mentioned that in one branch of the family there is a tradition that Dr. Viets came from Holland. In the material written by H. Isabel Viets appears the following:

1950 Reunion [of the Viets Family]

> A letter was read from a professor in Holland who wrote Mrs. Thomas W. Viets of East Granby, while she was Secretary last year in the Dean's office at Dartmouth College. Mrs. Viets had signed a letter which he received, and being struck by her name, he wrote to tell her that the town where he lives was populated to a great extent by people of that name (Viets). All of the businesses were run by them and "they were upright, honest, trustworthy citizens."

> Since the spelling of the name is the same as that which is used by our family it seems to have some bearing on the discussion which is raised at intervals as to the origin of our ancestor, Dr. John Viets.
>
> It is my opinion that Dr. John Viets was a native of Holland and went to Germany to study medicine as many others have always done. After finishing his course he took a sea voyage before returning to Holland.

A descendant of Dr. John Viets, Frank Garfield Viets Jr. of Fort Collins, Colorado, wrote to Dorothy Viets Schell in 1975:

> . . . The country of his [Dr. John's] origin appears to be rather uncertain, but I am sure it was from one of the provinces in what we now call the Netherlands or West Germany. I have been around Wageningen and Arnhem in the Netherlands several times and noted that the name Viets is rather common and has identical spelling. . . .

In addition to the records of their marriage, other documentation can be found for their presence in New York. Church records of 1704 reveal that Catharine Vietts, listed as wife of Dr. John Vietts, took her first communion in the Lutheran Church of New York City. A sad notice in the same church records appears on July 11, 1706: Johann Viett's little son Lucas, born 19 June 1705 buried in our church here in New York. [Stryker-Rodda, New York Genealogical and Biographical Journal, v. 104 and 105.]

After carefully weighing such evidence as we possess, this may be said with confidence: John Viets or Viett was born in Germany, possibly in Holland, at a date not far removed from 1665; received more than a common education; studied medicine; came to America about 1690; brought with him to this country fifteen books in the German language, which in those days was a library; was entitled "Mr." which, as the term was used at the time, indicates that he belonged to the better class, and was a man of respectability and enterprise. Judging from his descendants, and from the race to which he belonged, we may picture him as a man of even features, good looks, physical force, and fair intellectual ability.

There is a tradition handed down by Mrs. George Viets, wife of Capt. George, which runs as follows:

> John Viets was a good linguist, able to read and write several languages; on completing his studies in Germany, including medicine, he took a sea voyage for pleasure and travel, and came to New York; three times he undertook to return to the Fatherland, but was shipwrecked and driven back on the American coast each time, and was thus led to the conclusion that Providence decreed that he should settle in this country.

A similar tradition is from Mrs. Andrew Clark, a great-granddaughter of Henry Viets I. She adds that the shipwrecked members "lived ten days on fish caught and roasted in the sun; a vessel laden with mahogany rescued them, but the

captain and mate dying soon after of a fever, Dr. Viets, with such knowledge of navigation as he possessed, managed to bring the vessel into New York harbor."

That John Viets came first to New York and lived there several years, there is no doubt. There he married his wife, and there two or three of his children were born and one son, Lucas, died and was buried. He must have found in the mixed population of the place many of his own countrymen, the Germans, although the greater part of the inhabitants were English and Dutch.

He was probably led to remove to Connecticut by the same motives which are ever urging people to change their residence, the pursuit of fortune and a better place for himself and family.

The copper mines in Simsbury had been discovered a few years before Dr. Viets settled there, and made the place famous both in this country and in Europe, but there is no evidence that he ever was in any way connected with these mines. The statement made in a local history that he was connected with a company of German miners as physician and surgeon is undoubtedly without foundation, for his arrival antedated that of the German miners by eleven years. Residing as he did about three miles from the mines he may have been summoned there in cases of sickness or accident among the miners.

The earliest written reference to our ancestor in Connecticut is found in the Simsbury town records, under date Dec. 18, 1710, when the following vote was recorded: "Mr. Viett admitted to become an inhabitant here in Simsbury." This was the way newcomers were naturalized: by a vote of the freemen at a town meeting. The next reference to him is under date Jan. 5, 1711, eighteen days after he was admitted to citizenship, when the heirs of Sergeant John Griffin deeded to "Mr. John Viett, now resident of Simsbury, a certain piece and parcel of land situated within the township of Simsbury, at Samon Brokks, near the Falls, somewhat northerly of Thomas Griffin's house where said Thomas now dwells, and northeastward of said Thomas Griffin's field. . . . The said parcel of land is 11 acres, 3 roods, 8 perches, be it a little more or a little less."

By "Samon Brokks" is meant Salmon Brook, a name applied in that day to the region bordering on the brook of that name, and extending from the Farmington River at Tariffville, northward into the present town of Granby. The land referred to could not have been a great distance from the intersection of the Granby and Simsbury roads a mile north of Tariffville. Here our forefather settled, and built, unless there were buildings on the place when he received it from the Griffins (the deed mentions none). December 11, 1712, he was "granted liberty by the town to keep a house of public entertainment for the year ensuing."

The next reference to him bears date April 9, 1713, when he mortgaged the land received from the Griffin family to Mrs. Hannah Merriman of Windsor, "with the dwelling-house, linseed-oil mill, and other buildings standing thereon for the sum of ten pounds current money." In April 1723, a few months before his

death, he received a grant of eighty-two acres of land from the town. This land was bounded "on the north by the highway leading from Salmon Brook mill towards Windsor, and on the west by William Hays' and Joseph Lamson's land."

In the probated inventory of Dr. John Viets' estate are articles which show that he was a man of sufficient enterprise to have provided himself with the implements in use in those days. This inventory mentions seventy-eight acres of land, part of a building, and lumber, but has no reference to any other real estate. From this it may be inferred that he had disposed of his home place, and was beginning to build on his new grant of land.

Dr. Viets died in middle life, it is said of a fever. He left a widow and family of children, the oldest of whom was perhaps sixteen years of age and the youngest eleven. There are three records of his death: the Hartford probate record, the Simsbury town record, and the record made by his son, Henry. These agree except that the two official records write the name Viett, while the son, who probably made a note of his father's death some years later, wrote the name Vietts. He died in Simsbury, November 18, 1723. The grave cannot be found, as no stone marks the spot. The most probable conjecture is that his remains lie in the Simsbury burying ground, for there his wife is buried. Her stone bears the inscription: Catron Vets, ye wife of Dct. John Vets, died March 5, 1734, Ae. 68. This gives 1666 as the date of her birth. Her son, Henry, leaves a record of her death as occurring on March 6th, as does the town record. Children:

i. Lucas, born January 19, 1705, in New York City; died there July 11, 1706.

2. ii. Catherine.

3. iii. Henry, b. 1709.

4. iv. Mary.

5. v. John, b. November 3, 1712.

6. vi. Benoni, born December 7, 1714. Illegitimate son of Margaret Wilcoxson, raised in the family of Dr. John Viets and given the name of Viets. [See Appendix A.]

## SECOND GENERATION

2. (Catherine[2], John[1])

Catherine Viets, daughter of Dr. John and Catherine (Meyers) Viets, was probably born in New York City, date unknown. She married on August 17, 1738 John Hoskins of Windsor, born there December 5, 1701, son of John and his second wife, Ruth Atkins. According to Stiles' History of Ancient Windsor he was fourth in descent from John Hoskins who came to Dorchester, Massachusetts, in the Mary and John in 1630 and was made a freeman in 1631. He appears to have been past the middle age of life on his arrival and was called "Goodman." He removed to Windsor probably with the first party and was there called John Hoskins, Sr. Lands were granted to him in 1640; he was a delegate to the Connecticut General Court in 1637. He died in 1648.

There being several John Hoskins in Windsor, the John who married Catherine Viets was called John II and was distinguished from the others on the Windsor Church baptismal records as "of this [i.e., the main] Street." He died in 1765; his widow died on November 8, 1776. Children [VR, Windsor]:

i. John Hoskins, born May 5, 1740; supposed to have died young. A John Hoskins in 9th Co., 1st Regiment 1758, died in 1765. This may have been he.

ii. David Hoskins, born and baptized May 24, 1741; settled in Colebrook in 1771.

iii. Simeon Hoskins, born January 1 and baptized January 2, 1742/3; married Phoebe _____. Two daughters, Nancy and Polly. Nancy was baptized by Rev. Roger Viets in Scotland [Bloomfield] on September 11, 1768.

iv. Daniel Hoskins, baptized September 9, 1744; settled in Colebrook in 1771.

v. Mary Hoskins, born January 31 and baptized February 1, 1746/7; married David Viets, May 24, 1764 at "Henry Viets' in Turkey Hills by Rev. Roger Viets." [See No. 9.]

vi. Ezekiel Hoskins, born January 3, 1748; married about 1775 Elizabeth Skinner of Simsbury. She may have been the daughter of David and Elizabeth (Ellsworth) Skinner who was born 1750 and married about 1775. Five children (Hoskins).

vii. Catherine Hoskins, born September 16, 1750; died at the age of 15 years.

viii. Benjamin Hoskins, born December 7, 1752; died in infancy.

ix. Benjamin Hoskins, born December 25 and baptized December 30, 1753; died unmarried.

3. (Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Henry Viets was born in 1709, probably in New York, and came to Simsbury in 1710 with his parents, Dr. John and Catherine Viets. He obtained a practical education. His account book, still in a good state of preservation, was last known to be in the custody of his descendant Jonathan M. Viets of Bryan, Ohio. It shows that Henry was a good penman and accountant. He made use of Latin expressions, which he may have learned as a lad from his father. On the first page of the old book may still be seen the following: Henry, alias Henricus Viett, of Simsbury, Connecticut, his book of accounts or accompts, 1729. Henry Viets and his brother John are both said to have been stout, strong young fellows and given to practical jokes, as was the case with young men in the frontier settlements in those days.

Henry, after the death of his father, which took place when he was but thirteen years old, was for a time connected with the copper mining industry at Newgate. He soon, however, came into possession of considerable real estate, and settled down in the northern part of the town, at what is now the little village of Copper Hill, where he was a shoemaker as well as a farmer. Henry's house is no longer standing. The home now on this property was built by Henry's son, James, and stayed in the family until 1915.

Henry Viets married first, September 22, 1735 Margaret Hoskins of Windsor, daughter of John and Ruth (Atkins) Hoskins (and sister of his brother-in-law, John Hoskins). She was born May 10, 1712 and died September 28, 1750. He married second, May 22, 1751 Margaret Austin of Suffield, born March 5, 1712/13, daughter of John and Agnes (King) Austin. [Ancestral File, Family History Library, #AFN:4KMR-44.] She died October 15, 1783. Children, by first marriage:

7. i. Henry, born January 13, 1737.
8. ii. Margaret, born May 9, 1739.
iii. Luke, born June 17, 1743; accidentally shot and killed in October 1757 while hunting in Becket, Massachusetts.
9. iv. David, born February 18, 1746.
10. v. Jonathan, born September 26, 1750.

By second marriage:

11. vi. James, born August 28, 1752.

4. (Mary$^2$, John$^1$)

Mary Viets, daughter of Dr. John and Catherine (Meyers) Viets, was probably born in New York City (date unknown). She married in October 1732 Ephraim Goff (or Goffe), born March 4, 1699, son of Moses and Mercy Goff. His grandfather, Philip Goff, was the first of the name in Wethersfield. He settled there before 1649 and built the first house within the present bounds of Rocky Hill in 1655. After the death of his father Ephraim chose his

cousin, Philip Goff, to be his guardian in 1714. Ephraim died in 1744 and the administration of his estate was granted to the widow and to Aaron Goff [Hartford County Probate Records, XIV, p. 54].

From Capt. John Viets' account book [Archives, Manuscript Collection, Connecticut State Library] it appears that some of the Goff family (and perhaps all) went to live with Capt. John and family. Mention is made of Mary and David who worked for him. David Goff began working for his uncle December 18, 1754 when he was sixteen years of age. One account between Capt. John and Mary indicates that she was about to be married, as numerous items of expensive clothing as well as an elaborate pillion are mentioned. Whether this "Mary" was his sister or his niece is not known. Children [VR, Wethersfield]:

i. Ephraim Goff, Jr., born January 11, 1734.
ii. Mercy Goff, born June 22, 1735.
iii. Mary Goff, born January 24, 1737.
iv. David Goff, born May 9, 1738. He married Mary _____ and had at least three daughters and one son. The daughters were: Irene, born January 9, 1770; Sarah, born February 10, 1771; and Esther, born November 10, 1772.

David Goffe joined the 1st Church in Winchester in 1772 by profession, and afterwards his wife Mary was admitted into full communion. He is occasionally named on the records as holding subordinate town offices - one being a surveyor of highways.

v. Jacob Goff, born March 11, 1740; married Mehitable _____ and had ten children. Of these, Lucy, Tertullus, and Alvin are in the baptismal records of the Reverend Roger Viets. The family lived in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. ["Jacob Goff of Connecticut and Massachusetts," Family Records of Washington Pioneers Prior to 1891.]

From Massachusetts records:

Jacob Goffe of Pittsfield was dismissed with a number of others on July 26, 1777 under Capt. John Strong and Lieut. Caleb Goodrich who marched to Fort Ann on June 30, 1777. He was reported killed October 19, 1780 (perhaps in the battle of Stone Arabia in New York).

vi. Benjamin Goff, born September 20, 1745; died September 11, 1746.

References: Stiles' History of Wethersfield and the History of Winchester.

5. (John$^2$, John$^1$)

Captain John Viets, son of Dr. John and Catherine (Meyers) Viets, was born in Simsbury, November 3, 1712. He gives evidence of having had a practical education for those days. John worked for a time, with his brother Henry, in the Simsbury copper mines at Newgate. It is said that while working in the mines at Newgate he met Lois Phelps, an unusually charming girl. She had come with others to visit the caverns which then, as now, were objects of curiosity. Lois afterward became his wife. The copper mines were destined to become Newgate Prison during the Revolutionary war.

John Viets passed some years of his early life in Westfield, Massachusetts. He possessed great energy and considerable business sagacity. He settled on an estate near Newgate and became a farmer, a store and hotel keeper, and an extensive trader. His house and other buildings, located opposite the prison, were built in the 1760s, although a part of the house was built later.

Two books in which Captain John Viets kept accounts of articles sold, horses rented, services rendered, etc., are in the Archives of the Connecticut State Library. Many different people had accounts with him including other members of the Viets family. The following gives a sampling of the items listed:

> January 22, 1753 Mary Goff begun to work Paid for weaving, money for cloth for pilion and labor of making same.
>
> May 1757 For gown. For Lace. For Fan. silk & lining & paper for bonnets.
>
> June 1750 Benoni Viets Contra credit. My boy and team little more than half a day to plow 1=0=0 Team to fetch your wheat. Fetch wood. Signed/ Benoni Viets, John Viets
>
> [Types of items sold, taken from various accounts: "Sugar, vinigar, molases, pidgeons, tobacco, cheese, cyder, buck wheat, turnops, potatoes, flax, oats." Shoes were frequently listed, sometimes of sheepskin, perhaps made by his brother Henry. Another notation gave a credit to tailor John Holcomb Jr. "for cutting out a coat for Jonny my boy."]

His early account book shows that he and his partner in the trading business, Abel Forward, made trips as far as Schenectady and Albany, New York; to Boston, Cape Cod, and Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts; and Rhode Island.

From Springman and Guinan's East Granby, the Evolution of a Connecticut Town, we learn that Almond B. Phelps, who married into the Viets family, purchased in 1912 the Captain John Viets' home from Virgil E. Viets, a descendant of Captain John. He had previously bought Newgate from Samuel D. Viets in 1904 and reopened the prison to the public, holding dances in the guardhouse. He renovated the old historic house across from the prison and turned it into a summer resort hotel. Mr. Phelps continued the prison tours and ran Newgate

Lodge until his death in 1925. The property was then sold to the Clarence W. Seymour family.

[In September 1986 I was privileged to be shown through the home. Many rooms had been divided off in the upper story. I was intrigued by a fireplace in a room on the lower floor on which was carved "Lois Viets 1760." The 1760 may refer to the year the house was built. --DVS]

In 1968 the state of Connecticut bought Newgate Prison, renovating it and providing better access to the caverns below. The state also purchased the Viets property across the road. The prison is now open to the public as a tourist attraction and future plans call for the renovation of Captain John's home. Newgate Prison was placed on the National Historic Landmark registry in 1973. A record number of visitors, 36,000, toured the facility in 1976.

[A letter to me from Natalie (Noyes) Viets, the widow of John Bartlett Viets, written in June 1984 states, "Did you know he (Captain John Viets) was written up in the novel Drums Along the Mohawk in such a dastardly manner that Dr. Henry Viets wrote an objection to the author but later had to admit that it was alas! true." Below is an excerpt from the book. --DVS]

From Drums along the Mohawk by Walter D. Edmonds:

> Author's (Edmond's) note: The description of Newgate Prison at Simsbury Mines is strictly according to facts--most of them offered by the patriotic party, at that. It was, however, no worse than British prisons, and the prisoners, I suspect, had infinitely more to eat. . . .

## V.

## John Wolff's Journey (1777)

### I

### The Cavern

> John Wolff had been in Newgate Prison for over a year, but he wasn't sure of himself how long it was. He seemed to have lost the sense of time. There were days when he couldn't have said offhand whether it was <u>today,</u> or <u>yesterday;</u> they were days beyond track.
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> Sometimes he would catch himself saying the days of the week, "Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. . . ." Or the months of the year. There were many things he used to say. "Lucy Locket, lost her pocket. . . ." Sometimes he would wake up some of the near-by prisoners and they would throw odd pieces of rock at his bed and yell. It was awful when the men yelled. It started the echoes whirling in the high air shaft, seventy feet high. It was fifty feet across at the bottom, they said, though you couldn't find that out by pacing because the water lapped against the far side. But at the top the shaft was four feet across with an iron grating fixed

into the stone; and what with the smoke from the charcoal braziers one could hardly tell where the sun was in the sky, except at noon. A little before and a little after the equinox, you could see the sun itself if you waded out into the water far enough to stand directly under the grating. You could even feel it on your head, very faintly warm. John Wolff had felt it, and the next man, walking out felt it also, but he started a convulsion, and they had to haul him out of the water for fear he would drown.

. . . But one night when the men were making their singsong, it happened that the guard was drunk. Maybe the guard went a little crazy himself. Anyway, he opened the trap and fired his musket. They could all see him, fifty feet above their heads in the lighted square of the trap, his furious red face, and the musket pointing down like the finger of wrathful retribution. The bullet striking made no sound through the yelling voices and they yelled twice as loud. Even John Wolff yelled that night. And the guard lost his head entirely. He fired again and again, and finally a ball ricocheted and killed one of the prisoners. He was the man who had come in with John Wolff, the man who had beaten a soldier for molesting his wife. But they did not notice he had died till it was time for them to go up the next day.

They had to haul him up with a rope and carry him to the smithy so that his irons could be taken off. Then he had been buried, and the commandant, Captain Viets, in a fury, had had half a dozen men flogged, choosing the ones the outraged guard who had committed the murder pointed out, and one man, who owed the guard three shillings, was hung by his heels for an hour and a half. Nobody had had any food for two days, but the guard did well instead, for it was necessary for the prison to consume its full ration of beef if the commandant were to receive his regular allowance.

Tradition gives John Viets the credit of introducing potato culture into that part of Connecticut; he is said to have brought the seed from Rhode Island in his saddle-bags. When the first crop of potatoes had broken the ground, the old men of the neighborhood were called together to decide how they should be hoed. After due deliberation it was decided that they should be entirely covered with fresh soil at the first hoeing. A fair crop was reported.

Mr. Viets bought horses about the country and took them to Boston for sale. It is said that he rode his mare to Boston in one day, a distance of a hundred miles. On one occasion he reached the east bank of the Connecticut opposite Windsor late in the day with a drove of horses. The ferryman being on the west side and unwilling to cross over for him at such a late hour, Mr. Viets, impatient of delay, urged his horses into the flood and swam them to the opposite shore, although he himself was not able to swim and the river high.

He was first a lieutenant and afterwards captain of militia. His appointment as captain is recorded in the Colonial Records May 17, 1746 when the following vote was passed: "This Assembly do establish and confirm Mr. John Viets to be

captain of the fourth company or train band in Simsbury, and order that he be commissioned accordingly." In 1753 he was one of the selectmen of the town.

He was also a grand juror and a surveyor of highways. In 1754 a memorial was presented to the General Assembly by John Viets requesting abatement of taxes on unimproved land in northwest Simsbury. In 1773 Captain John Viets was appointed master or keeper of Newgate Prison for the ensuing year. In 1775 he was again appointed keeper of Newgate during the pleasure of the Assembly; he was paid this year, for his services as keeper, 149 pounds, 17 shillings, $8\frac{1}{2}$ pence. During the early years of the War for Independence he did good service for the patriot cause by keeping Tory prisoners imprisoned at Newgate. [Trumbull, The Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut.]

It is said that he purchased large tracts of land in Becket, Massachusetts, owning at one time half of the town. His nephew Henry, who settled in Becket, bought land from him. Starting in life with little inherited wealth, except good blood and good health, he accumulated an estate which was valued at his death at the age of sixty-five at 2,243 pounds, 15 shillings, 1 penny, or about $10,000. He brought up a family of ten children, two of whom were fitted for college, and one was graduated from Yale.

In the inventory of his estate are three hundred and seven articles. Among the books were: Bible, singing book, Book of Common Prayer, law book, dictionary, Book of Martyrs, Psalter, Testament, and vade mecum. There were among his possessions a beaver hat, valued at 1 pound, 13 shillings, leather breeches, silver knee and shoe buckles, two great coats, a desk, and a set of China tea dishes.

Captain John Viets died of smallpox on April 8, 1777, age 65. He was buried a short distance north of his home, and there the remains of his widow were afterwards laid by his side. An iron fence erected by descendants encloses the two graves, and the spot was deeded by the owner of the farm, Virgil E. Viets, to the following trustees: Henry R. Viets of Newton, Massachusetts, Charles H. Barrows of Springfield, Massachusetts, and Virgil E. Viets of East Granby.

Lois Phelps was born March 10, 1718 and became the wife of John Viets December 12, 1734. She was a descendant of William Phelps, one of the early settlers of Windsor, Connecticut. There is a tradition that Lois was a daughter of Nathaniel Phelps of Turkey Hills (East Granby). Mr. A. T. Servin, the genealogist of the Phelps family, has determined that this Lois is the daughter of Nathaniel Phelps (and Lois his wife), who removed from Northampton to Granby, son of William Phelps (and Abigail Stebbins), of Northampton, son of Nathaniel Phelps (and Mrs. Elizabeth Copley), who came with his father, William, to Windsor, Connecticut, and later settled in Northampton, Massachusetts. Elizabeth Copley was an English lady of rank, whether by birth or by marriage to her first husband is not known. She had two children at the time of her marriage to Nathaniel Phelps. [Phelps and Servin, Phelps Genealogy.]

Tradition says that Lois was small, bright and active. When John Viets and his bride appeared at church they were spoken of as the most handsome couple that had ever entered the church. After the death of John Viets, his widow married, in 1778, Colonel Jonathan Humphrey. He died September 13, 1794, in Simsbury. [Judd, Militia Record Series 1-3. FHF#0003601.] She lived to age ninety-two, able to read and work without glasses, and died November 12, 1810. Children, born at the old homestead near Newgate:

12. i. John, born March 2, 1736.
13. ii. Roger, born March 9, 1738.
14. iii. Seth, born May 26, 1740.
15. iv. Eunice, born November 24, 1742.
16. v. Lois, born January 29, 1745.
17. vi. Abner, born February 15, 1747.
vii. Catherine, born August 7, 1749; died April 14, 1756.
viii. Dan, born 2 July 1751; is said to have left home, and was not afterwards heard from. (In the Phelps Genealogy the name is given as Damaris instead of Dan.) On February 18, 1779 Abner made an entry in his journal against his brother Dan for the use of his mare. He must have been in Connecticut at that time or not long before. This is the last knowledge of him.
18. ix. Rosannah, born May 13, 1755.
19. x. Luke, born June 6, 1759.

6. (Benoni$^{2}$, Dr. John$^{1}$)

Benoni Viets, son of Margaret Wilcoxson, was born in Simsbury December 7, 1714. He was given the name of "Viets" and raised in the home of Dr. John Viets. [See Appendix A.] He married June 20, 1745 Martha Moore of Simsbury, born April 5, 1722, daughter of Amos and Martha (Owen) Moore. In the Farmington land records is a deed to property that Benoni sold that came to him from his mother, Margaret Willcockson. He became a skilled blacksmith and a horse trader in partnership with Captain John Viets. The farm of Benoni Viets extended from near Newgate Prison southward about one-third of a mile on both sides of the highway. The house, now gone, stood on the east side of the peak. Benoni died October 7, 1795, age 80. His widow died in 1796. Children, born in Simsbury:

20. i. Martha, born February 27, 1746.
21. ii. Mary, born June 27, 1751.

## THIRD GENERATION

### 7. (Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Henry Viets, son of Henry and Margaret (Hoskins) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, East Granby, on January 13, 1737; died in Becket, Massachusetts, February 5, 1824. Northern Simsbury, when Dr. Viets settled at the Falls, contained but few families. There were in 1709 eleven families in the region now embraced in the town of Granby. The generous families of the early settlers, together with newcomers, soon changed the wilderness into thriving farms, with occasional taverns, shops, and stores; while roughly made carts drawn by oxen might be seen taking loads of produce to the cities or to the nearest boat landing on the Connecticut. About 1750 the sons of older families began to look for new regions in which to settle.

Henry Viets became the owner of a large farm in Becket, which remained in his family for several generations. He married first, August 18, 1763 Beulah Messenger of Becket, daughter of Benoni and Mary (Wood) Messenger, born December 29, 1745 in Norwich. [Reniger, Messenger Family in Portage and Geauga Counties, Ohio.] She died December 9, 1775. He married second, December 31, 1776 Abial Kingsley, who died May 10, 1813. Children [VR, Becket, Massachusetts]:

i. Chloe, born 25 May 1764; died May 25, 1764.
22. ii. Chloe, born May 18, 1765.
23. iii. Eunice, born February 20, 1767.
iv. Beulah, born November 23, 1769; died August 8, 1771.
24. v. Henry, born January 16, 1772.
25. vi. Beulah, born November 6, 1775.

By second marriage:

vii. Ruth, born April 16, 1778; died in infancy.
viii. Ruth, born November 18, 1782; died in infancy.

### 8. (Margaret[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Margaret Viets, daughter of Henry and Margaret (Hoskins) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, East Granby, May 9, 1739; died September 22, 1782. She married John Austin in Mansfield on April 21, 1759. Children, born in Mansfield:

i. John Austin, born January 25, 1762. [See No. 25 - may be the John Austin Jr. who married Beulah Viets as her second husband.]
ii. James Austin, born June 1, 1764.

9. (David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

David Viets, son of Henry and Margaret (Hoskins) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, February 18, 1746. He went into northwestern Connecticut and became a large landowner in the town of Colebrook in Litchfield County. His estate, which embraced several hundred acres, extended as far north as the Massachusetts line. He bought land there in 1766 from David Hoskins of Windsor. Colebrook records say that he settled there in 1770. Simsbury records give all of his children except the youngest as being born in Simsbury.

From Colebrook Church Records: "The Congregational Society on January 5, 1789, accepted 'a spot of ground of Mr. David Viets about 20 rods southeast of his dwelling for the use of a burying place where Mrs. Douglass was buried.'"

David Viets married May 24, 1764 Mary Hoskins, born in Windsor January 31, 1746/7, daughter of John and Catherine (Viets) Hoskins, the marriage being performed by the Reverend Roger Viets.

The History of Trumbull and Mahoning Counties, Ohio, records that David Viets went to Ohio in 1805 with his son Luke and wife. The Township of Southington, Trumbull County, was settled by people from Litchfield County, Connecticut, and particularly by several families from the town of Colebrook. According to the account book of his brother Jonathan, David Viets died "December 3d. near Connecticut." [Note: could near have been misread for new Connecticut, a term used for the Western Reserve section of Ohio?--DVS.] David Viets died November 3, 1815. Children, all except the youngest born in Simsbury:

26. i. Mary "Polly," born February 9, 1765.
27. ii. David Jr., born February 15, 1767.
28. iii. Luke, born December 9, 1768.
iv. Sibah, born May 6, 1771. No further record.
v. John, born August 4, 1772. In Trumbull County, Ohio, vital records a Jonathan C. Viets married Pheba Mileman (Uleman?) on August 1, 1828. This may have been John.
29. vi. Catherine, born June 18, 1775.
30. vii. Benjamin, "son of David and Mary, born October 17, 1783." [VR Colebrook.]

10. (Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Jonathan Viets, son of Henry and Margaret (Hoskins) Viets, born at Copper Hill, September 26, 1750 died February 18, 1837 in Suffield. He served in the Revolutionary War, in the Sixth Brigade, Eighteenth Regiment, made up in Simsbury and vicinity, under Captain Job Case and Colonel Phelps. His home was in Suffield, west of the mountain just north of the Granby line. With his brother James, he worked his mother's farm and was employed in the copper mines.

On October 3, 1793 he married Caroline Munsell who is thought to have been

born September 14, 1767, daughter of Calkins and Mary (Booth) Munsell who settled in Windsor. "On October 24, 1793," Jonathan wrote in his account book, "we moved into our house in Suffield." His wife died January 19, 1813 [VR, Suffield]. Children, born in Suffield:

31. i. Jonathan Munsell, born September 2, 1794.
ii. Henry, born June 19, 1801; died August 23, 1803 in Suffield [Hale, FHF#0003217].

11. (James$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Captain James Viets, son of Henry and Margaret (Austin) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, August 28, 1752 and died December 23, 1827. He remained at home while his older brothers found places elsewhere, finally inheriting the old homestead. He built a new and commodious house, which was later the home of his son Festus, and still later of his grandson James H. Viets. James bought land of his brother, or nephews, in Colebrook until he owned some four hundred acres there. He was a surveyor of the highways. He married May 10, 1780 Elisabeth Brown (daughter of Joseph Brown?), of Simsbury who died February 23, 1837. In 1796 he was appointed lieutenant and in May 1799 captain of Militia [Judd, Militia Records, Series 1-3, FHF#0003601]. Children:

32. i. Betsey, born September 6, 1781.
ii. Horace, born March 27, 1783; died January 16, 1870 unmarried. Buried at Copper Hill Cemetery.
33. iii. Achsah, born June 28, 1785.
34. iv. Festus, born June 12, 1790.

12. (John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

John Viets, oldest son of Captain John and Lois (Phelps) Viets, was born at the old homestead near Newgate, March 2, 1736 and died at his home at Hop Meadow, in lower Simsbury, September 27, 1765 at the age of twenty-nine, leaving a wife and four children. His father Captain John Viets was appointed guardian on May 5, 1770 for the three youngest children, all under the age of fourteen [Hartford County Probate Records, FHF#0005641]. John, with his brother Roger, attended a school at Salmon Brook [Granby] where both were fitted for college. As the boys came home from school one Saturday, it is said that in fun they passed through a forked tree that stood by the road, but on returning to school Monday morning, they found that they were not able to go between the forks of the tree.

John did not enter college with his brother but instead became a farmer. He wrote verses of some merit. Two printed copies of one poem are still extant: "'A Prospect of the Final and Awful Judgment,' written by John Viets Jr. not long before his death, which, in his last hours, he expressed a strong desire might be published to a sinful, careless, and stupid world." The work contains three hundred and twenty-two heroic verses, printed on one side of a single sheet in four columns. At the end is the following acrostic on the author, written by an unknown hand:

J ust and upright, religious and sincere,
O f judgment deep, of understanding clear,
H is chief delight was in God's holy word,
N othing he loved so much as Christ his Lord.

V irtues fair paths continually he trod,
I n various science studied nature's God:
E nvied by few, respected by mankind,
T o all men civil, to his friends most kind,
S o great and good a man our age can seldom find.

On his stone in the Simsbury burying ground is the following epitaph:

"In memory of John Viets, son of Captain John and Mrs. Lois Viets, and brother of the Rev. R. Viets, Missionary, a man of great understanding, exemplary piety and prudent behavior. Living and dying he bore testimony against all popular errors, and in these points, what his conscience dictated, his reason was able to defend."

From the Hartford Courant, October 7, 1765:

On Friday last died & Monday was buried Mr. John Viets in the XXX year of his age, son of Capt. John Viets. He was a young gentleman of well known abilities & usefulness, in good esteem with almost as many as were acquainted with him. The very great number of people who attended his funeral was an evidence how generally his death was lamented.

John Viets married in Simsbury July 1, 1755 Elizabeth, daughter of Hezekiah and Dorothy Phelps of Simsbury. Children:

35. i. Deborah, born June 25, 1757.
36. ii. Hezekiah Phelps, born December 24, 1759.
37. iii. Elizabeth, born February 15, 1762.
38. iv. John, born about 1764-5.

The births of only the first three of this family are recorded on the town records. The existence of the fourth, John, rests upon evidence afforded by the probate record which refers to Hezekiah P. Viets and John Viets as heirs of John Viets Jr. Also in the will of John Viets Jr. are mentioned "my beloved sons, Hezekiah P. Viets and John Viets." On August 5, 1766 Elizabeth (Phelps) Viets was married to Deacon Amasa Case by Reverend Roger Viets. They were the parents of six children. She died in Simsbury October 17, 1783. Amasa Case was born October 18, 1731, son of Captain James and Esther (Fithin) Case. He was married five times: first, Elizabeth Hoskins; second, Elizabeth (Phelps) Viets; third, Abigail Phelps; fourth, Charity Pettibone; and fifth, Sarah Humphrey.

13. (Roger$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Roger Viets, son of Captain John and Lois (Phelps) Viets, was born at the old homestead at Newgate, March 9, 1738. He attended school with his brother John at Salmon Brook [Granby] where he prepared for college. He was graduated from Yale College with an A.B. degree in 1758.

His parents were Congregationalists. [In some of the early literature about Roger Viets the family, including Dr. John Viets, is said to have been Presbyterian. This is surely an error as records for Dr. John Viets are found in the Dutch Reformed Church and the Lutheran Church in New York City. This error seems to have been perpetuated in several articles over the years.] It seems likely that Roger entered Yale with the intention of studying for the ministry in the Congregational church of his boyhood, which was the mother church of New England.

While in New Haven he attended services at Trinity, the Episcopal Church, and was so impressed that he began to read on Episcopacy and later joined this denomination. After his graduation he was employed as lay reader in the parish of St. Andrew's at Scotland [now North Bloomfield] in Simsbury. After several years as lay reader, the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel agreed to grant him an allowance of twenty pounds a year as soon as he should be ordained and take charge of the parish.

Ordination in those days required a trip to England as there was no bishop as yet in this country. Thus he set off across the Atlantic, a trip of three months' duration. Upon his arrival he discovered that the ceremony had taken place two weeks before, and he was obliged to wait six months for another opportunity. The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge befriended him during his stay. At last he was ordained April 17, 1763 in the Chapel Royal at St. James's Palace by Frederick Cornwallis, Bishop of Coventry and Litchfield, at the request of the Bishop of London. ["Anglican Clergy in Colonial America," Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society.]

Roger Viets landed at Boston, June 26, 1763, and served as the faithful pastor of St. Andrew's parish in Simsbury [now Bloomfield] for more than twenty-four years. He took into his own home as a pupil his nephew, Alexander Viets Griswold, who later became an Episcopal Bishop of the Eastern Diocese. [See No. 15.]

Note from unknown source in H. Isabel Viets' material:

> Rev. Roger Viets held services in Hartford sometime about 1764. Apparently the first baptism actually performed occurred January 16, 1764 and was performed by the Rev. Roger Viets. The first marriage took place Dec. 16, 1764 and the first burial at which a Church of England clergyman officiated was in June 1766. In each of these cases the officiating clergyman was the Rev. Mr. Viets.

From Beardsley, History of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut:

> The libraries of the clergy, furnished, to some extent, by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel and by individual munificence in England, were small. That of Viets at Simsbury was one of the largest and best selected in the colony; and though an excellent scholar, and a man of considerable culture and refined taste, yet his salary was so slender that he was compelled, besides his clerical duties to attend to agricultural pursuits in the summer, and occupy himself in teaching a sort of parochial school in the winter. The people among whom his lot was cast were for the most part poor, but "honest and well-behaved"; and being the only Missionary in what now constitutes Hartford County, he had a wide field to watch and cultivate, and was, therefore, like St. Paul, "in labors abundant."
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> The Congregational ministry around him was intellectually strong, and the opposition with which he was forced to contend was charged with all the bitterness which had been manifested in other parts of the colony. As the storms which preceded the Revolution gathered in blackness, he continued, like his brethren, to devote himself to his sacred duties, and found occasion to support the hopes of his parishioners living within the limits of adjoining towns, because "of late they had been distrained of their goods, and some of them imprisoned, for dissenting taxes or rates." But so much did the people under his pastoral care multiply that with the exception of Newtown and New Haven, the number of Episcopalians in Simsbury in 1774 was greater than in any other town of Connecticut.

The membership of St. Andrew's increased to nearly three hundred families during Roger Viets' ministry. It was not unusual for him to travel thirty miles on pastoral visitations. The Simsbury Mission assisted in the establishment of the parishes of Saint Michael's, Litchfield; Saint John's, Salisbury and Trinity Church, Bristol. The Reverend Viets produced many sermons, some of which have been published.

During the Revolution Roger Viets was suspected of sympathizing with the Loyalists. It is easy to see how this might have been true when one considers the close kinship he had established with England. Some fugitive British officers appealed to him at midnight for shelter. He did not dare give them lodging but did provide them with food. He was closely watched and summoned before the Superior Court on the charges of aiding the escape of prisoners and of holding treasonable correspondence with the enemy. He was sentenced to pay a fine of twenty pounds and to serve one year's imprisonment in the Hartford jail.

On August 4, 1785 Roger Viets wrote the following letter to Dr. William Morice, Secretary to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, in Hatton Garden, London [Archives, Connecticut State Library]:

> . . . I am resolved to live and die a true, active member & Presbyter of

> the Church of England - I will use no book of Common Prayer, but the English Edition and altho it is criminal here to pray for the King, publickly yet no one doubts who has the secret Prayers of my Heart and Soul. I have never prayed in particular for any government but the British. I stand ready (& desire God willing always to stand ready) to pay complete obedience to the Lord Bishop of London. . . .

When independence became an established fact, the English withdrew their support from their missions in this country. However, they did offer parishes to their missionaries who would remove to the remaining British colonies in America. Roger Viets was invited to take charge of an extensive parish, not yet established, whose center was to be in Digby, Nova Scotia. This he decided to accept and in May 1786 set out to inspect his new post. In October he returned to Connecticut for his wife and children.

In a volume of sermons by him [Evans, National Index of American Imprints] is the farewell sermon to the Simsbury people, in which he says:

> Born as I have been, and nurtured among you, having led your devotions almost twenty-eight years, having been in holy orders twenty-four years, I have administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper to a great number of devout and exemplary communicants, have admitted into Christianity by baptism no less than one hundred and twenty-two of riper years, and one thousand seven hundred and forty-nine infants, have joined in marriage one hundred and seventy-six couples, have committed to the silent grave, in full hope of their rising again at the last day, the bodies of two hundred and nineteen deceased persons, and have received by profession into the bosom of our excellent church two hundred and fifteen heads of families. From the year 1759 to the present time the number of conformists to the church has increased from seventy-five to more than two hundred and eighty families. Within the above period I have, upon a moderate computation, traveled by land and water more than the extent three times the circumference of the terraqueous globe.

In the summer of 1787 he chartered a boat to transport his family and some friends to Digby. For an account of the journey we are indebted to traditions handed down from his daughter Martha, known to later generations as Aunt Beyea (pronounced "B.A."). She died in 1872, age ninety-four, and was about eight or nine years of age at the time of the move to Nova Scotia. It is reported that the larder was well stocked and that music and dancing helped to relieve the tedium of the voyage. They arrived in Digby June 12, 1787.

The Reverend Viets travelled extensively to serve all the people in his mission. The area stretched from Clementsport to Yarmouth and down Digby Neck. He and his parishioners built Trinity Church in 1791. He was popular with the people and always conscientious in fulfilling his religious responsibilities. He kept a pair of horses and would himself drive to the forest, cut a load of wood and deliver it to a poor parishioner. One day he was accosted by some English officers. To their surprise they found the

woodcutter a "gentleman and a scholar" and invited him to dinner at the hotel where he revealed himself as the rector of the parish. Each expressed himself as having spent a delightful evening.

It is of interest to note that Samuel Edison, grandfather of Thomas Alva Edison, was one of the Reverend Roger Viets' parishioners in Trinity church. It is recorded that Samuel Edison purchased pew No. 36 for the sum of thirteen shillings and sixpence in 1792. [Cardoza, A Short History of Trinity Anglican Church, Digby, Nova Scotia.]

[Note: Much has been written about the Reverend Roger Viets including his ministry in St. Andrew's church in Connecticut, his problems during the Revolutionary War, and his role in the establishment of Trinity Anglican Church in Digby, Nova Scotia. His life could well be the subject of a separate volume. See Appendix C for excerpts from some of his letters to members of his family. For further history of this most interesting member of the Viets family I would suggest that you consult the books listed in the bibliography.--DVS]

Roger Viets possessed the pen of an accomplished writer, is said to have been a good Greek scholar, and wrote smoothly flowing verses. One of his poems, "Annapolis-Royal," was the first poem to be published as a separate book in British North America, printed probably in Halifax, Nova Scotia, in 1788. Only two rare copies of the poem are known, one in the Douglas Library in Halifax and the other in the Boston Public Library. Another poem was entitled "A Father's Lamentation on the Sudden Death of an Amiable and Beautiful Child." [See Appendix D for the text of "Annapolis-Royal."]

Roger Viets visited his old parish and many friends in Connecticut in 1800 and the sermons he preached at that time have been published, as have many of his earlier sermons. He died at Digby, Nova Scotia, August 15, 1811 from "Quick Consumption" (pneumonia). He had been preaching on the Granville side of Digby Gut and had returned by open boat in a chilling fog. At his request, he was buried in an unmarked grave outside the east window of Trinity Church. He was succeeded at Trinity by his son Roger Moore Viets.

Roger Viets married November 19, 1772 Hester Botsford, born January 20, 1753, daughter of Captain Nathan and Sarah Botsford of New Milford, Connecticut. Captain Botsford held prominent town offices for many years and was an active and influential citizen. Roger, it is said, never regretted the move to Nova Scotia, but his wife, although she twice visited her old home, died broken-hearted, her delicate constitution breaking down under exile. After the death of his first wife on April 25, 1800 Roger Viets married in Kingston, New Brunswick, July 18, 1802 Mary (Pickett) Isaacs, born June 12, 1754, daughter of David Pickett of Norwalk, Connecticut, and widow of Benjamin Isaacs. She is said to have been a wonderful stepmother to his children. Children:

i. Catherine Sarah, born July 8, 1774; baptized August 14, 1774 in Scotland (now Bloomfield) by her father; died November 18, 1782.
39. ii. Anna, born June 6, 1776.
40. iii. Martha "Patty," born July 9, 1778.
iv. Nathan Botsford, born February 3, 1781 in Simsbury; died January 12, 1807 in Digby, Nova Scotia; unmarried.
41. v. Roger Moore, born November 29, 1784.
vi. Margaret, born November 21, 1786; died January 18, 1787 in Simsbury.
vii. Hester, born April 27, 1789 in Digby; married in St. John, New Brunswick, July 17, 1813 Calvin Camp. [Punch, Nova Scotia Vital Statistics from Newspapers.] The family lived in Alexandria, Virginia.
42. viii. Mary Eliza "Polly," born February 9, 1792.

[Reference for vital records: Trinity Anglican Parish Register, Digby, Nova Scotia, FHF#0979410.]

14. (Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Seth Viets, son of Captain John and Lois (Phelps) Viets, was born at the old homestead on Newgate Hill, East Granby, then Simsbury, May 26, 1740. He is mentioned in a will drawn up by his father in 1763 as "my third son, Seth," and given thirty acres of land, one-half of the house and barn, and one-half of all his other land in Simsbury not otherwise disposed of. This will, however, was set aside by another written later, of which Seth, Abner, and Luke were executors.

The Reverend Roger Viets leaves in his parish register a record of Seth's marriage: "At Turkey Hills, November 12, 1769, Seth Viets of Simsbury and Ruth Smith of Suffield." Ruth was a daughter of Simeon and Ruth (Harmon) Smith, both natives of Suffield. She was born September 23, 1753. Seth probably lived after his marriage on the farm directly south of Newgate prison. An item in his father's account book tells of work being done on Seth's house. A bill of sale of a "certain nursery of apple trees lying in Granby to Luke Viets" dated January 13, 1795 shows that he had reserved this when he sold his farm to Eliphalet and Nathan Phelps. Seth's name was on the "grand" list in Turkey Hills parish in 1785.

Vermont records state that he settled there in 1780 which is probably an error, as his youngest daughter Sarah was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, in 1798, and his son Jesse was married there. This shows that the family must have spent some time in Westfield on their trek to Pawlet. From Simsbury records: "At a freeman's meeting held in Simsbury, April 11, 1774, Seth Viets was admitted and sworn." He was a surveyor of highways and a tithing-man.

From Smith, Record of Service of Connecticut Men in the War of the Revolution: "Seth Viets was one of those members of 18th Regiment, Col. Phelps, Capt. Bates Co., who was to be ready for action." Seth Viets Sr. died January 4, 1825 in Pawlet, Vermont, and was buried in Bardwell Farm Cemetery, West

Pawlet. Seth Viets' grave is marked by the DAR. His wife died in 1817, age sixty-four. Children:

43. i. Ruth, baptized September 26, 1770.
44. ii. Seth, baptized December 20, 1772.
45. iii. Simeon Smith, baptized March 19, 1775.
46. iv. Lois, born May 28, 1777.
47. v. Deborah, born ____.
48. vi. Lydia, born October 12, 1779.
49. vii. Jesse, born February, 1781.
50. viii. Roswell, born December 30, 1784.
51. ix. Zopher, born January 30, 1790.
52. x. Julia, born 1794.
53. xi. Sarah, born July 16, 1798.

15. (Eunice$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Eunice Viets, daughter of Captain John and Lois (Phelps) Viets, was born at Newgate, November 24, 1742; married November 11, 1761 Elisha Griswold, born October 25, 1731, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Porter) Griswold. He was descended from the Windsor branch of a large family, the descendants of Edward Griswold who came from Kenilworth, England, to Windsor in 1639. "Squire" Samuel Griswold was the first of the Griswold family to remove from Windsor to Simsbury, where he purchased a tract of 500 acres lying within the principal bend of the Farmington River. Elisha Griswold seems to have come into possession of the paternal estate with whom it remained unbroken until his death and its consequent apportionment among his various heirs. He was a man of quite good sense and remarkable home-keeping habits. His numerous sons and daughters, however, were a family of various talents, especially mechanical and literary.

For a time during the seven years of our labor for independence, Mr. Griswold was arraigned almost daily before the Committee of Vigilance and questioned as to the most common actions of his life. But such was his great and exemplary prudence that nothing was ever found against him. The Committee, therefore, contented themselves with forbidding him to go beyond the limits of his own farm. As his farm was something of a little territory, however, this gave him space for exercise and as he was a home-keeping man and seldom left his farm except for Sunday church, there was no great hardship. Indeed, ignoring the principle involved it was no hardship at all except that it abridged his religious freedom.

The marriage of Eunice Viets with Elisha Griswold brought together two of the most considerable families and estates in the town. Mr. Griswold died March 13, 1803; his widow died at the home of her daughter in Lanesboro, Massachusetts, August 20, 1823. Children, born in Simsbury:

i. Elisha Griswold, Jr., born December 26, 1762; married May 14 1787 in Scotland (now Bloomfield), by the Reverend Roger Viets, Arispha Mitchelson of Simsbury, a daughter of Eliphalet

Mitchelson, a Revolutionary soldier. Three children (Griswold).

ii. Alexander Viets Griswold, born April 22, 1766 and baptized May 25, 1766 by his uncle, Reverend Roger Viets. He married May 6, 1786 in Roger's home in Scotland (Bloomfield), Elizabeth Mitchelson of Simsbury. She died September 10, 1817 in Bristol, Rhode Island. He married second, in 1828 Amelia Smith, a widow. He died in Boston February 15, 1843. Twelve children by first marriage, two children by second (Griswold).

From Dumas, Dictionary of American Biography:

. . . Alexander's early years were spent on his father's farm, but when he was ten years old, since he displayed more interest in books than in agriculture, his uncle, Roger Viets [see No. 13], then rector of the Simsbury parish, took him into his own home. He now assisted in the cultivation of the parish glebe, but had the advantage of his uncle's instruction and library by means of which he secured a good knowledge of the classics and mathematics besides much general information. The impoverishment of his father who endeavored to remain neutral during the Revolution, the removal of his Loyalist uncle to Nova Scotia after the war, and his own early marriage to seventeen-year-old Elizabeth Mitchelson in 1785, prevented him from entering Yale as he had planned. Until he was twenty-eight years old he cultivated a small farm, and read law though without expectation of practising it. Persuaded by his friends who believed his character and abilities fitted him for the ministry, in 1794 he offered himself as a candidate for orders. In 1795 he was made deacon, and later in the same year was ordained priest by Bishop Seabury at Plymouth, Conn. For ten years (1794-1804) he served at the same time the churches in Plymouth, Harwinton, and Northfield, eking out his small salary by farming and teaching. In 1804 he became rector of St. Michael's Church, Bristol, R.I. He was elected bishop of the Eastern Diocese May 31, 1810, and was consecrated at Trinity Church, New York, May 29, 1811. He continued to serve as rector at Bristol until 1830 when he took charge of St. Peter's Church, Salem, Mass., and it was not until five years later that he devoted himself wholly to his episcopal work. His first wife died Sept. 10, 1817, and some ten years afterward he married Mrs. Amelia Smith.

An interesting quotation from Bishop Alexander Viets Griswold is printed in the appendix of the Viets Genealogy:

About the time of my birth my mother's brother, the Rev. Roger Viets, returned from England in Priest's orders. . . . For several years he was an inmate in my father's family, and for most of the time till my twentieth year I lived with him. He was an excellent scholar, with a rare talent for communicating knowledge to others. . . . Even when laboring in the field together, as we did for hundreds of days, he would still continue his instructions.

iii. Ezra Griswold, born December 6, 1767 and baptized at Turkey Hills by his uncle, Roger Viets; died October 22, 1822 in Worthington, Franklin County, Ohio; married November 8, 1789 Ruth Roberts, born January 24, 1768 in Simsbury, daughter of Lemuel Jr. of Simsbury and Ruth (Woodford) Roberts of Farmington. She died May 31, 1847 in Worthington. The family moved from Tariffville to Worthington, Ohio, in 1803, joining with a friend's plans for emigration to Ohio under the Scioto Company's agreement. The place where they settled was an unbroken wilderness, in which they were the first white settlers. Ezra was a devoted adherent of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Although he had never received a liberal education, he was, with the aid of his excellent mother, mainly self-taught. He was admirably qualified for public employment, but was of a retiring domestic nature, and was never called to any higher office than that of justice of the peace in which capacity he served for many years. During the scarcity of money in circulation after the war of 1812, Ezra Griswold is known to have issued two series of paper money or notes. A photo of one of these bank notes, along with more details, two photos of the Griswold home in Worthington and data on the twelve Griswold children are included in the following reference: "Worthington Genealogies," Old Northwest Genealogical Quarterly.

iv. Eunice Griswold, born February 9, 1770; married May 30, 1790 for her first husband Oliver Holcomb, born 1769 in Simsbury, son of Asahel II and Sarah (Eno) Holcomb. Two children (Holcomb). She married, second, in 1797 Butler Pinney, born September 1765, son of Ensign Jonathan and Lydia (Case) Pinney. From Granby records: "Mrs. Butler Pinney (Episcopal) of Turkey Hills (78 years) died May 12, 1849." Mr. Pinney died December 18, 1850. Three children (Pinney).

v. Roger Griswold, born February 22, 1772; christened in Turkey Hills, April 23, 1772 (Easter Day) by the Reverend Roger Viets. Roger, with brother Elisha, operated the Rainbow Mills near the old home and failed. He married for his first wife, Salome Case and for his second, Widow Eunice Wright of Coventry in 1823. Six children by first marriage; two children by second (Griswold).

vi. Deborah Griswold, born August 27, 1776; married Bethuel Baker of Lanesboro, Massachusetts, July 12, 1811. Died September 13, 1850. No children.

vii. Samuel Griswold (Rev.), born January 1, 1780; was graduated from Yale College and was ordained deacon presbyter in the Episcopal church. He became a very able and popular minister. In 1844 he was settled at Volney, N.Y. He married first Thetis Gilchrist, daughter of Peter and Damaris Gilchrist, and second Maria, daughter of Samuel and Mary Riley of Great Barrington, Massachusetts. Four children by first marriage; three by second (Griswold).

viii. Sylvia Arabella Griswold, born November 17, 1781; married February 1802 the Reverend Jasper Davis Jones, a clergyman of the Episcopal church. She died January 27, 1858 at her daughter's, Mrs. Orville Griffin's, in Granby. Her husband died several years previous. Eight children (Jones).

16. (Lois$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Lois Viets, daughter of Captain John and Lois (Phelps) Viets, was born at the old homestead near Newgate, January 29, 1745; married there April 25, 1768 by the Reverend Roger Viets to Jonathan Buttels, born November 10, 1747 in Simsbury. He was the son of Captain Jonathan and Jerusha (Dibble) Buttels. Jonathan Buttels occupied the home farm at the "wedge of land" adjoining Simsbury on the north, which became Granby in 1786. For a time he conducted a hotel there. He served in the Revolution as a sergeant in his father's company of the 18th Regiment from August 18 to September 6, 1776; was made Ensign of Captain John Rice's Company in October 1780 and Lieutenant in May 1781. He died in Granby, December 13, 1823.

The pioneer ancestor of Jonathan Buttels or Buttolph was Thomas Buttolph, a leather dresser or glover, who came in the Abigail from London in 1635, age thirty-two years. He settled in Boston, was a freeman June 1641, constable 1647. His wife Ann, age twenty-four in 1635, joined the church in Boston in September 1639 with her husband. The name "Buttolph" in church records is Buttal and is printed Buttels in Massachusetts Historical Collections. Children:

i. Lois Buttels, born in Simsbury December 3, 1769; died January 17, 1775.

ii. Annis Buttels, born in Simsbury; baptized May 3, 1772; married May 24, 1791 Samuel Everett Jr. born April 30, 1769 in Torringford and died in Granville, Ohio, April 15, 1809. Annis died in 1852. Two children (Everett).

iii. Elihu Buttels, born in Simsbury; was a member of the Massachusetts Legislature. He later lived in Orwell, Pennsylvania, where he died.

iv. Jonathan, born June 9, 1778 in Simsbury; married November 20, 1798 Lucy Whitney, born May 1, 1779 in Simsbury, a daughter of Uriah and Martha (Hart) Whitney. Mr. Buttels was at various times a shoemaker, schoolmaster, millwright, and turner. He was Captain of a Militia (minutemen) in the War of 1812; died in North Lee, Massachusetts, September 15, 1851. His wife died there November 5, 1848. Five children (Buttels). [Phoenix, Whitney Family in America.]

v. Lois Buttels, born in Simsbury, March 18, 1782; married March 11, 1799 in North Granby, Samuel Platt Whitney, born November 8, 1775 in Simsbury, son of Uriah and Martha (Hart) Whitney. Mr. and Mrs. Whitney settled in Montville, Ohio, in 1834 where both died. Mr. Whitney died December 15, 1871, his widow in 1875. In 1870 they celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary at the home of their

son John Viets Whitney. At that time they had nine living children, forty-one living grandchildren, and fifty-six great grandchildren. Mr. Whitney was a farmer. He served in the War of 1812. Twelve children (Whitney).

17. (Abner$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Captain Abner Viets, son of Captain John and Lois (Phelps) Viets, was born February 15, 1747 and died at his home, one mile from the place of his birth, July 27, 1826. His farm embraced some 400 acres in the western part of the present town of East Granby, extending over the Granby line. The homestead was in possession of his grandson Levi Clinton Viets until 1901, when it was sold and passed out of the family.

Abner Viets was an extensive farmer at a time when farming in Connecticut consisted of producing large quantities of rye, corn, and other grains, and dairy and orchard products. His papers show that in 1790 he leased for a term of four years, for sixteen pounds, land in Turkey Hills lying north of Roswell Phelps' land and extending to the top of the mountain. His name was on the "grand" list in Turkey Hills parish in 1785 for the sum of 70 pounds, 5 shillings. He was a surveyor and sometimes a lawyer. In his account books are numerous charges for pleading cases. He was captain of militia, appointed October 1790. [Judd, Militia Record Series, 1-3, FHF#0003601.] During the War for Independence he did not enter the field in person, but hired substitutes on several occasions. An old certificate among his papers shows that on March 27, 1778 Owen Ruick enlisted in the room of Abner and Luke Viets. At a town meeting held in Simsbury in December 1784 he was appointed surveyor of the highways and grandjuror. About 1809 he was appointed by his brother Roger as his attorney and agent to settle his business affairs in New England. He was spoken of by those grandchildren who remembered him as a man of good stature and of energy.

Abner Viets married in 1771 Mary, second daughter of Benoni and Martha (Moore) Viets. She was born June 27, 1751 and died September 1825. Children, born in Simsbury:

54. i. Abner, born June 28, 1772.
55. ii. Mary, born May 1774.
56. iii. Benoni, born February 13, 1777.
57. iv. Samuel, born January 17, 1779.
58. v. Eunice, born December 17, 1780.
59. vi. Dan, born October 17, 1783.
vii. Annis, born March 11, 1785; married _____ Rudd.
60. viii. Levi, born June 15, 1786.
61. ix. Elisabeth, born April 30, 1790.
x. Apollos, born July 25, 1794; christened June 30, 1800 by Roger Viets. Died August 30, 1815.

18. (Rosannah[3], John[2], John[1])

Rosannah Viets, daughter of Captain John and Lois (Phelps) Viets, was born May 13, 1755 in Simsbury; married Eleazar Rice, a soldier of the Revolution. A letter to his wife shows that he took part in the Battle of Long Island. He manufactured potash, refining it further into pearl ash which was used for making soap and glass. They resided in the western part of the present town of East Granby. Children:

i. Mary (Polly) Rice, born January 30, 1777; "married in Suffield May 2, 1792, Horace Phelps." [From Suffield Congregational Church Records.] Mr. Phelps was born May 4, 1769 in Simsbury and died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, February 12, 1848. Mary (Polly) Rice Phelps died in Springfield, Massachusetts, June 1, 1846. Eleven children (Phelps).

ii. Lois Rice married Justus Holcomb, born in East Granby in 1779, son of Elijah and Sarah (Evans) Holcomb. He served on a whaling ship on several trips to the South Pacific, Japan, and Hawaii; moved to Meadville, Pennsylvania, about 1820; went to California in the Gold Rush of 1849 and settled in Napa County. His wife died in Meadville. Nine children (Holcomb).

iii. Rosannah Rice, baptized in Scotland (Bloomfield), May 14, 1775; married Hezekiah Loomis of West Springfield, Massachusetts, and Oran, New York, who was born January 6, 1771, son of Jonathan and Hannah (Selden) Loomis. He died in Oran December 12, 1833. Three children (Loomis).

iv. Eunice Rice, born September 18, 1784; died August 24, 1854; married December 25, 1805 Seth Smith of West Springfield, Massachusetts. Six children (Smith).

v. Eleazar Rice Jr., married Harriet Goodrich. Four children (Rice).

vi. Laura Rice, married Levi Bush. Two daughters (Bush).

vii. Charlotte Rice, born September 13, 1787; married her cousin, Captain George Viets. [See No. 66.]

viii. Harriet Rice, married first, _____ Ormsbee; second, _____ Ennis. Two daughters (Ormsbee and Ennis).

19. (Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Lieutenant Luke Viets, youngest child of Captain John and Lois (Phelps) Viets, was born June 6, 1759 and died in the old homestead February 25, 1835. His mother, after the death of her second husband, Colonel Humphrey, if not before, lived with Luke's family at the old place.

Following is the commission issued to Luke Viets by Samuel Huntington, Governor of Connecticut:

To Luke Viets Gent.

You being by the General Assembly of this state accepted to be Ensign of the 8th Company of Militia in the 58th Regiment in said State.

reposing special Trust and Confidence in your Fidelity, Courage and Good Conduct I do by Virtue of the laws of this State me thereunto enabling, appoint and empower you to take the said company into your Care and Charge as their Ensign carefully and diligently I discharge that Office and Trust, exercising your inferior Officers and Soldiers in the Use of their Arms, according to the Rules and Discipline of War ordained and established by the Laws of this State, keeping them in good Order and Government, and commanding them to obey you as their Ensign and you are to observe all such Orders and Directions as from Time to Time you shall receive, either from one, or from other your superior officer, pursuant to the Trust hereby reposed in you.

Given under my Hand, and the Public Seal of this State, at New Haven the 20th Day of October, A.D. 1790

s/Samuel Huntington

By His Excellency's command, George Wyllys, Secretary.

Newgate was the State's prison until 1827, and no doubt some of the prison officials, as well as comers and goers, were guests at the Luke Viets' tavern. Kendall's Travels through the Northern Parts of the United States in the chapter on "Newgate" gives a unique description of the family of Luke Viets:

The traveler, after fording the Farmington, and passing through a region "beautiful with the varied charms of hills, field, and pasture" approached the place from the south. He says: "On my right I saw a house of respectable figure and dimensions, wooden and white-painted. This was the inn. On entering the door the good looks of the landlord afforded me some consolation. . . .

"My landlord was a plain and industrious farmer, in whom and his whole family there was realized, more than in any other instance I have met with, the picture which the imagination of so many has drawn, as that of the agricultural life in America. He was himself a grandfather, and had living with him his very aged mother. He was the father of nine children, of whom one or two were married and settled at a distance, and one or two near by. Two daughters and two or three sons were still under his roof. All the members of the family were personable and well-featured, and the two girl were beauties, one a blue-eyed blonde and the other a dark-haired brunette. I found them employed in a building detached from the house, one at the wheel, the other at the loom. They were presently in the farmyard milking the cows." The traveler adds further that he was "informed by the family that there was somewhere in the neighboring hill a black stone, by looking through which the seventh son of a seventh son born in the month of February with a caul over his head could see everything in the interior of the globe."

Luke Viets married June 30, 1777 [Bates, Records of Rev. Ransom Warner 1823-1854] Keziah Phelps, born in Simsbury November 12, 1757 and died November 22, 1850. She was a daughter of Ezekiel and Elizabeth (Gillett) Phelps. They lived one and one-half miles south of Newgate, on the place since known as the Raynor Holcomb place. The boundary stone of Mr. Phelps' farm, it is said, may be seen on the mountain with the initials E.P. marked on it. Ezekiel Phelps served in the Revolutionary War, perhaps the one of that name who served as a lieutenant in 8th Regiment, Captain Holcomb's Company. The encampment was so near the British that Ezekiel Phelps shouted to the British: "Shoot straight; shoot to kill, not maim." He was in New York August 26 and was discharged September 3, 1776. He brought home a cannon ball and a corkscrew.

According to Stiles' History of Ancient Windsor, Ezekiel Phelps was the son of Joseph and Rebecca (North) Phelps, son of Joseph (and Mary Collins) Phelps, son of Joseph (and Hannah Newton) Phelps, son of William Phelps who settled in Windsor. Children:

62. i. Keziah, born November 12, 1777.
63. ii. Rosannah, born December 4, 1778.
64. iii. Luke, born August 2, 1780.
65. iv. John, born March 1, 1782.
v. Catherine, born November 22, 1783; married Charles Fowler; died 1813.
vi. George, born June 23, 1786; died April 10, 1787.
66. vii. George, born February 12, 1788.
67. viii. Esther, born January 22, 1790; the blonde mentioned in Kendall's book.
68. ix. Roger, born October 28, 1791.
69. x. Chloe, born May 19, 1793; the brunette mentioned in Kendall's book.

20. (Martha$^3$, Benoni$^2$, John$^1$)

Martha Viets, daughter of Benoni and Martha (Moore) Viets, was born February 27, 1746. She married May 20, 1762 in Simsbury, Benoni Griffin, born June 26, 1743, son of Benoni Griffin. Children, born in Simsbury:

i. Martha Griffin, born June 26, 1764.
ii. Benoni Griffin,, Jr., born July 11, 1766.
iii. Viets Griffin, born March 16, 1768.

21. (Mary$^3$, Benoni$^2$, John$^1$) [See Abner Viets, No. 17.]

22. (Chloe$^4$, Henry$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Chloe Viets, daughter of Henry and Beulah (Messenger) Viets, was born May 18, 1765 in Becket, Massachusetts; married May 25, 1785 Abner Pease of Blandford, Massachusetts, born in Somers, Massachusetts, November 9, 1757, son of Robert and Hannah (Sexton or Saxton) Pease. He moved to Blandford at the age of twenty-five and resided there at the time of his death. No record in the Pease Genealogy of this Abner being a captain. There was, however, a Captain Abner Pease, son of Isaac who was born in Enfield in 1733. Children:

i. Levi Pease, born May 29, 1787 in either Blandford or Somers.

ii. Ruth Pease, born September 22, 1789; married in Blandford May 14, 1817 Orrin Sage, born in "Upper Houses" Cromwell, Middletown, January 17, 1791. He was one of fourteen children of William, a native of Middletown and a soldier of the Revolution, and Bathsheba (Hollister) Sage. He became a merchant in Blandford before he was twenty-one and continued in this until 1848. He started many young men in trade, furnishing capital which gave profitable results.

He represented Blandford in the legislature for 1831-1832 and 1834, and was a senator from Hampden County in the years 1836 and 1837; removed to Ware, Massachusetts, in 1848, became the president of the bank in that town, and held the office until 1865. When he left Blandford, he gave a fund of $1,000 to the Congregational Society and afterwards bought and presented them a parsonage. To the town of Ware he gave a beautiful lot of twenty-five acres for a cemetery and provided for its care. To Williams College he gave a scholarship of $1,000 and afterwards a fund of $30,000 to endow a professorship of history and political economy. To the town of Osage, Iowa, of which he was one of the founders and which was named for him, he gave nearly seven hundred acres of land to establish a public library and build a handsome building.

For more than fifty years he was a constant and increasingly liberal giver to the American Board of Foreign Missions and also gave to Home Missions and American Missionary Societies. Orrin Sage died in Ware, June 23, 1875 at the age of eighty-four years. His wife died December 10, 1858. Two daughters (Sage).

iii. Eli Pease, born January 23, 1793 in Somers or Blandford; married Cynthia White of Longmeadow, Massachusetts, and settled on the homestead in Blandford. In 1861 he removed to Independence, Iowa, where he died December 31, 1863. He was a deacon of the church in Blandford. Two children (Pease).

iv. Chloe Pease, born November 30, 1796; died September 17, 1802.

23. (Eunice[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Eunice Viets, daughter of Henry and Beulah (Messenger) Viets, was born February 20, 1767 in Becket, Massachusetts; married 1789 Parley Snow, born November 6, 1765 in Ashford, son of Oliver and Ursula (Streeter) Snow. He died April 18, 1851; his wife Eunice died March 13, 1834. Children [VR, Ashford, Connecticut]:

i. Parley Viets Snow, born February 18, 1790 in Becket, Massachusetts; married December 17, 1812, Susan Jones. Mr. Snow died in Ashford, Connecticut, August 3, 1850, age sixty years. Seven children (Snow). From Ashford Records: "Parley Viets Snow's estate distributed to Mrs. Susan Snow, widow of deceased, and to children and heirs at law of deceased as follows: Susan Bennett, Henry V. Snow, Harvey M. Snow, Lucius J. Snow, Julia Ann Squier, Eunice S. Barlow, Sanford W. Snow."
ii. Pleiades Snow, born November 6, 1792; died August 6, 1843.
iii. Henry Snow, born January 20, 1794.
iv. Sardine Snow, born July 15, 1796.
v. Harvey Snow, born July 17, 1799; died December 29,1803.

24. (Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Henry Viets, son of Henry and Beulah (Messenger) Viets, was born in Becket, Massachusetts, January 16, 1772. He married first, on June 22, 1795 his second cousin, Mary Viets [See No. 55], daughter of Captain Abner and Mary (Viets) Viets. She died April 7, 1805. He married second on November 18, 1807 Charlotte Fowler of Westfield, Massachusetts. [VR, Westfield.] She died May 3, 1841 and was buried in Kent, Connecticut. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Henry Viets was a highly respected farmer on the old place settled by his father in Becket. He died at the home of his daughter Charlotte Van Wyck, in Clifton, Illinois, August 25, 1866, age ninety-four years. Children, by first marriage:

70. i. Sophia, born May 11, 1796.
71. ii. Abial, born December 9, 1798.
72. iii. Mary, born August 13, 1802.

By second marriage:

73. iv. Henry, born August 31, 1808.
74. v. Charlotte, born July 10, 1810.
75. vi. William Atwater, born February 20, 1813.
76. vii. Margaret, born January 1, 1816.
viii. Maria, born April 23, 1819; died April 23, 1858.
77. ix. Jane, born September 2, 1821.
x. Abner Fowler, born May 3, 1824; died January 20, 1825.

25. (Beulah[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Beulah Viets, daughter of Henry and Beulah (Messenger) Viets, was born November 6, 1775 in Becket, Massachusetts. She married October 6, 1796, Solomon Cochran [VR, Becket]. [The Viets Genealogy gives the name of her first husband as Levi Coffrin. Cochran was often called Coffrin as well as other forms.] They did not have any children. [The data from Massachusetts and Ohio do not agree. According to Carl Cochran, of Ogden, Utah, a descendant, there were two Cochran children, Levi Munsell and Ruth Eliza.] Beulah married second, on October 18, 1812 in Becket, John Austin Jr. He was married first to Hannah Kingsley on September 21, 1786 in Becket. They had four children, all of whom died before their mother Hannah, who died on December 15, 1811 in Becket. Beulah and John Austin Jr. moved to Geneva Township, Ashtabula County, Ohio, after 1817 and in 1830 lived in Aurora Township, Portage County, Ohio. Children [VR, Becket, Massachusetts]:

i. John Harvey Austin, born February 12, 1815; married Emily M. Blair on February 12, 1836 in Portage County, Ohio.
ii. James Austin, born September 17, 1817; married Marietta Reed on May 13, 1834 in Portage County, Ohio.

Reference: Reniger, The Messenger Family in Portage and Geauga Counties, Ohio, New Connecticut.

26. (Mary[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Mary "Polly" Viets, daughter of David Sr. and Mary (Hoskins) Viets, was born February 9, 1765 in Simsbury and baptized March 22, 1765 by the Reverend Roger Viets. She married February 5, 1807 in Southington, Ohio, James Nutt, a native of Blandford, Massachusetts, born April 24, 1782, son of James and Susanna (Cochran/Cothran) [Mc]Nutt. According to the journal of their son Cyrus, his father came in 1803 or 1804, at the age of twenty, with his uncle and settled in Aurora, Portage County, Ohio. After his marriage to Mary Viets he moved to Southington and settled on a piece of land adjoining the large farm of his father-in-law, David Viets Sr. He was the first justice of the peace in Southington. He died in May 1835.

[Note: H. Isabel Viets listed in the appendix "Polly" Viets, who married James Nutt in Southington, Ohio, February 5, 1807. She suggested that perhaps "Polly" was a daughter of David Sr. but could not prove it. Cyrus, the son of James Nutt, writing in his journal, names his mother as Mary Viets. ("Polly" is often used as a nickname for Mary.) David Viets transferred property in Southington to "daughter Mary Nutt" and referred to her as wife of James Nutt. (Winnagle, Index to Property Deeds of Trumbull County, Ohio, 1800-1831.) --DVS] Children:

i. Susan Nutt, born March 11, 1808. Married Hudson Thomas February 11, 1830.
ii. Chauncey Nutt, lived on the home farm and died quite young. He

married and had a daughter Harriet who married Aaron Gordon of Bristol Township, Ohio, in 1859. They had four children.

iii. Lester R. Nutt, died in infancy.

iv. Cyrus Nutt, born September 4, 1814 in Southington, Ohio; married April 26, 1838 Amanda Standiford, daughter of General John Standiford. He died August 24, 1875 in Greencastle, Indiana.

Information sent to H. Isabel Viets by the secretary of the University of Indiana:

From the Faculty History and from the History of Indiana University from 1820 to 1890 by Prof. Theophilus A. Wylie.

Cyrus Nutt was born in Trumbull Co., Ohio, September 4, 1814. He graduated at Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa., in 1831 and commenced his educational labors as Principal of the Preparatory Department of his Alma Mater. He was, not long after, called to a similar position in Indiana Asbury (now DePauw) University, at Greencastle, Indiana. While at the latter place he was licensed to preach the Gospel. In 1837 he was elected Professor of Languages, and in 1841 he was made Professor of the Greek Language and Literature, and also of Hebrew. This post he occupied till the fall of 1843, when he took pastoral work in the Indiana Conference, and was appointed to Bloomington Station. Here he remained two years when he removed to Salem.

In the fall of 1848 he was re-elected to his former position in Asbury University. In 1849 he was chosen President of Fort Wayne Female College. In the following year he accepted the Presidency of Whitewater College. After five years' service in this situation he resigned in order to resume his work in the ministry.

In 1855 he was appointed Presiding Elder in the Richmond District. In the fall of 1857 he was elected Professor of Mathematics in Asbury University, and while in this department, for nearly two years he was the acting President, till the inauguration of President (afterward, Bishop Bowman). In 1859 Allegheny College, his Alma Mater, conferred on him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. In 1860 he was elected President of Indiana University, which post he held till the college year, 1874-1875.

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On January 18, 1954 a Founders' and Benefactors' Day was held at DePauw University. Following is a note from the bottom of the program:

Cyrus Nutt, brilliant young graduate of Allegheny College, Pennsylvania, became, in 1837, the first teacher in Indiana Asbury University, later DePauw. After approximately a score of years as teacher and as administrator in this institution, he became, in 1860,

fifth president of Indiana University, there concluding his great contribution to higher education in the growing democracy.

The portrait of Cyrus Nutt is presented to the University by his granddaughter, Mrs. Wilbur Helm (DePauw 1902), of Evanston, Illinois.

v. Isaac Nutt, married May 3, 1846 Lucy Ann Grays.
vi. Laura Nutt, married February 18, 1837 William Hill.

Reference: Nutt, The Nutt Family through the Years, 1635-1978.

**27. (David$^4$, David$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)**

David Viets, son of David and Mary (Hoskins) Viets, was born in Simsbury February 15, 1767. He married between 1790 and 1798 Lucretia Rice, born May 24, 1775 in Simsbury, daughter of Joseph and Abigail (Case) Rice. She died in Colebrook September 8, 1818. David Viets moved to Southington, Ohio, in 1823, where he remained until the spring of 1826 when he went to Shalersville, Ohio, living there until his death on April 17, 1849. He is said to have been buried on his farm in Shalersville. Children, born in Colebrook:

78. i. Chauncey, born November 25, 1798.
79. ii. Fanny, born September 8, 1800.
80. iii. Laura, born November 24, 1803.
81. iv. Ira, born September 5, 1807.
82. v. Lucretia, born April 11, 1810.
83. vi. Henry, born October 24, 1813.
vii. Rosannah, born August 9, 1816; died August 1, 1823 or 1829.

**28. (Luke$^4$, David$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)**

Luke Viets, son of David and Mary (Hoskins) Viets, was born December 9, 1768 in Simsbury. He married Hannah Norton, born in 1778 or 1779, who is said to have been a daughter of Freegrace Norton of Suffield. She died in Southington, Ohio, November 20, 1862 age eighty-three years. Luke Viets died November 30, 1827. [There were two Freegrace Nortons in Suffield--father and son. From records seen, it is not clear that Hannah Norton was a daughter of either.--HIV]

From Wickham, Memorial to the Pioneer Women of the Western Reserve:

> In this year [1805] two families arrived from Connecticut: Luke Veits [sic] and wife, James Chalker, wife and two children. . . . Also with those families came four young men ["four young men" is an error - David Viets was the father of Luke], David and Benj. Viets, Roderick and Horace Norton. They came all the way in ox wagons. . . .
>
> Mrs. Luke Viets being alone one night with her little son, and having no door as yet to her cabin--only a blanket hung up for a door, a wolf came

and poked its nose under the blanket. She frightened him away by throwing fire brands at him.

Child:

84. i. Zopher, born December 14, 1810.

Verbatim copy of a large bronze memorial tablet on a native boulder erected on a concrete base. This is located about 2000 feet west of the Chalker High School in Southington, Trumbull County, Ohio. It is just west of the home of Charles Francis Viets, great, great, great grandson of Luke Viets:

------ JAMES CHALKER, 1805, LUKE VIETS. ------

[miniature covered wagon design]

THIS MARKER STANDS BETWEEN THE FIRST TWO
LOG CABINS BUILT IN SOUTHINGTON
THEN KNOWN AS BOLESTOWN.
JAMES CHALKER, HIS WIFE MERCY NORTON;
SONS ORREN AND JOSEPH; DAVID VIETS,
HIS SON LUKE AND WIFE HANNAH, SISTER TO MERCY,
AND THEIR BROTHERS, RODERIC AND HORACE NORTON,
WERE THE FIRST WHITE SETTLERS IN THE TOWNSHIP
AND CAME IN JUNE 1805
FROM LITCHFIELD COUNTY, CONNECTICUT.
FIRST MARRIAGE, JAMES NUTT TO POLLY VIETS 1807,
FIRST BIRTH AND DEATH, EDMUND CHALKER, 1807-1808.

VAULT TO BE OPENED AND RE-PLACED EACH
CENTENIAL YEAR BEGINNING 2005
SPONSORED BY 4TH AND 5TH GENERATIONS
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29. (Catherine$^4$, David$^3$, Henry$^2$, John1)

[Note: H. Isabel Viets had listed Catherine, giving her birth date and the notation "no further record." The following information is from a descendant of Catherine, Mrs. Sharon (Lass) Field of Cheyenne, Wyoming.--DVS]

Catherine Viets, daughter of David and Mary (Hoskins) Viets, was born in Simsbury, June 18, 1775. She was married to Joseph Rice, born January 1, 1769 in Simsbury, son of Joseph and Abigail (Case) Rice. The family moved to Southington, Trumbull County, Ohio, before 1817. Mr. Rice died August 26, 1835 in Southington; his widow died there March 9, 1841. Children:

i. Joseph Rice, born 1796 in Simsbury; married May 28, 1852 Sarah Drennen.
ii. Rufus Rice, born 1798 in Simsbury; married first January 30, 1823 Eleanor Fowler and second Sarah P. Dunham on February 16, 1825. He died March 17, 1876 in Southington.
iii. Milton Rice, born 1799 in Simsbury; married September 8, 1824 Maria Swan. He died April 10, 1863 in Braceville, Ohio.
iv. Newton Rice, born January 17, 1801 in Simsbury; married first Eunice Joy on February 9, 1832. She died October 18, 1833. He married second, Edy Baxter. He died December 27, 1870 in Southington.
v. Huldah Rice, born in 1803 in Simsbury; married November 16, 1823 Eli Moore.
vi. David Rice (twin), born December 28, 1811 in Simsbury; married November 23, 1836 Ann Jones. He died November 10, 1870 in Caldwell County, Missouri.
vii. Jonathan Rice (twin), born December 28, 1811 in Simsbury; he married October 3, 1833 Mary Wilson. He died April 21, 1880 in Southington.
viii. Clarissa Rice, born in 1813 in Simsbury; married June 9, 1831 Orin Chalker.
ix. C. Reuben Rice, born September 1814 in Simsbury; married May 26, 1845 Hannah E. Hulburd.
x. Lorenzo Dow Rice, born August 26, 1817 in Southington; married January 8, 1834 Martha Jones. He died December 6, 1900 in Osage, Mitchell County, Iowa.
xi. Elvira Rice, married August 13, 1831 Reuben T. Bergett.
xii. Lucretia Rice, married May 17, 1832 John Babcock.

## 30. (Benjamin$^4$, David$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Benjamin Viets, son of David and Mary (Hoskins) Viets, was born in Colebrook, October 17, 1783. He went to Southington, Ohio, in 1805 or soon after and settled in the eastern part of the township where he is thought to have lived the remainder of his life. He married in Ohio, Sally Donaldson. Children, born in Southington:

85. i. Margaret Maria, born January 31, 1810.
86. ii. Sally, born January 2, 1813.
iii. Hezekiah, born ca 1818; died June 16, 1846.

31. (Jonathan Munsell[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Jonathan Munsell Viets, son of Jonathan and Caroline (Munsell) Viets, was born near Copper Hill, West Suffield, September 2, 1794 and died at the old homestead October 12, 1843. He married on May 19, 1814 in Suffield, Fannie Remington of Colebrook, who was born April 22, 1794, daughter of Ezekiel and Sally (Bliss) Remington. She died July 20, 1858. Mr. Viets was a deacon of the First Baptist Church in Suffield. [VR, Suffield.] He received a lieutenant's commission in the militia May 9, 1815. [Judd, Militia Records, Series 1-3, FHF#0003601.] Children:

87. i. Caroline, born April 29, 1815.
88. ii. Henry Munsell, born October 22, 1816.
89. iii. Ezekiel, born March 30, 1818.
90. iv. Fannie, born September 11, 1821.
91. v. Sarah, born March 25, 1826.
vi. Bushnell, born June 21, 1830; died November 5, 1843.
92. vii. Mary, born January 6, 1836.

32. (Betsey[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Betsey Viets, daughter of Captain James and Elizabeth (Brown) Viets, was born September 6, 1781 at Copper Hill. On May 22, 1817 Betsey Viets married Robert Church, who, according to the Granby census of 1850, was born in Connecticut and was fifty-nine years old at that time (1850). Mrs. Church died January 28, 1879, age ninety; Mr. Church died December 26, 1853. Both are buried in Granby Cemetery. [Hale, FHF#0003104.] Child:

i. Betsey Church, born ca 1818; married Selah Kent. Three known children. [1850 census, Granby.]

33. (Achsah[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Achsah Viets, daughter of Captain James and Elizabeth (Brown) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, in northern Simsbury, June 28, 1785; married Oliver Griffin and resided not far from the place of her birth, where she died December 17, 1869. Oliver Griffin, born February 12, 1788 and died February 16, 1862, was a son of Stephen Griffin, a descendant of Lord John Griffin, the first settler of Simsbury. Both are buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. Children:

i. Betsey Griffin, born September 27, 1813; died September 21, 1882.
ii. Imri Griffin, born July 10, 1815.
iii. Homer Griffin, born April 21, 1822 in Suffield; resided at Copper Hill where he died July 14, 1893. He married November 16, 1843 Susan Jane Griffin, born May 3, 1822, daughter of Aristarchus Griffin, a descendant of Lord John Griffin. She died June 19, 1907. Five children (Griffin).

34. (Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Festus Viets, son of Captain James and Elizabeth (Brown) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, June 12, 1790 and lived at the family home there until his death September 24, 1874. He was a man of worthy qualities and a good farmer, keeping everything in order. He and his brother Horace ran a sawmill and shingle mill. Chauncey Viets of Colebrook sold land to Festus Viets and his brother Horace in 1825 for $1,640. Festus Viets married October 1, 1823 Maria Hatheway, born June 24, 1802, daughter of Ebenezer and Mehitable (Cowdrey) Hatheway of Suffield. She died September 27, 1860. Both are buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. Children, born at Copper Hill:

93. i. James Hatheway, born August 21, 1824.
94. ii. Harriet Maria, born September 3, 1826.
95. iii. Candace Eliza, born August 2, 1828.
96. iv. Philo Horace, born August 12, 1830.
v. Adaline Jael, born December 13, 1832; died March 23, 1839.
97. vi. Lamira Jane, born January 27, 1835.
vii. Daniel Benjamin, born March 19, 1838; died March 2, 1839.
viii. Annis Susan, born January 28, 1840; died September 26, 1842.
98. ix. William Dixon, born May 17, 1842.
99. x. Jason Rushmore, born January 17, 1846.

35. (Deborah[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Deborah Viets, daughter of John Jr. and Elizabeth (Phelps) Viets, was born in Simsbury June 25, 1757 and baptized July 31. She married Charles Case, supposed to have been born in Simsbury July 19, 1754, son of Charles and Phoebe (Holcomb?) Case. Charles served in the Revolutionary War as a cornet in the Fifth Regiment of Light Horse Cavalry under Major Elisha Sheldon. Charles led his troop in the attack on the forces of General Burgoyne at the Battle of Bennington, Vermont, in 1776. Although Charles accompanied Washington in his retreat through New Jersey, his first term of service was relatively short, since he enlisted in October and was discharged in November. Whether he saw other action is not known, but the gravestone of his wife calls him a captain and he was known as a captain during the time he lived in Ohio.

The gravestone in the Simsbury Cemetery bears the following inscription: "Deborah wife of Capt. Charles Case died February 5, 1796, aged 56 years." If this inscription refers to Deborah Viets, as it no doubt does, there must be an error in her age at time of death. Charles Case married on December 29, 1796 in Simsbury a second wife, Ameda Elizabeth Burbank, and about 1798 emigrated from Simsbury to Ohio. He stopped a while in New Jersey, later in Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania, to the Ohio towns of Warren, Youngstown (1800), Kinsman (1802), and Williamsfield (1803) where he resided until his death in 1829 or 1830.

When Charles Case, his second wife, and his son Zopher from his first marriage settled in Williamsfield they found twenty to thirty families of Massasaugas

Indians of the Delaware Tribe. The Indians were friendly and religious. The Case family were the first settlers, having come from Simsbury by way of Pittsburgh with wagons drawn by oxen over the Pennsylvania mountains. They remained the only white settlers until 1806. A son born to Captain Case and his wife in 1806 was the first white child to be born in the area. [Ellsworth, Historical Sketches of Ashtabula County, Ohio.] Charles Case had four children by his second wife. Children, probably born in Simsbury:

i. Charles Case, born August 18, 1774; christened in Scotland [Bloomfield], January 22, 1775 by the Reverend Roger Viets; married August 29, 1796 in Connecticut, Abigail Griswold, born September 29, 1772. They removed to Gibson, Pennsylvania, about 1813. He was a farmer. Both died in Gibson, Mr. Case on February 14, 1846 and his widow on March 4, 1850. Six children (Case).

ii. Deborah Case. She did not go to Ohio with her father; perhaps died young. A child of a Charles Case died September 20, 1797 and another died September 22, 1797. One of these may have been Deborah.

iii. Zopher Case, date of birth unknown. He went to Ohio with his father; resided in Kinsman, later settled in Williamsfield, and eventually removed to Lagrange County, Indiana. Records of the Ohio State Auditor list Zopher Case as a major on Lieutenant Colonel Richard Hay's staff, Ohio Militia, from August 22, 1812 to September, less than 14 days' service, therefore no pension. He married in Kinsman, Anna Randall, of that place who was born in Kentucky, a daughter of David and Sarah (Gibbs) Randall. She died in Milford, Indiana. Mr. Case died in Ohio. Eight children (Case).

Reference: Mary Ley (Carter) Brown, Phoenix, Arizona, descendant.

## 36. (Hezekiah Phelps$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Hezekiah Phelps Viets, son of John Jr. and Elizabeth (Phelps) Viets, was born in Hop Meadow, Simsbury, December 24, 1759. He was not quite 6 years of age when his father died. At a freemen's meeting held in Simsbury April 10, 1779 he was among those "admitted and sworn." He was a fence-viewer in Simsbury in 1780. He served in the Revolutionary War in the Sixth Brigade, Eighteenth Regiment, made up in Simsbury and vicinity, under Captain Job Case and Colonel Phelps, from his time of arrival in New York, August 24, 1776 to September 19, 1776 when he was discharged.

On April 24, 1781, Hezekiah P. Viets and his brother John appeared before the Simsbury probate court as heirs of John Viets Jr. and the court appointed administrators to distribute land belonging to them in Salmon Brook [Granby]. In the 1790 census of Pownal, Vermont, he is listed with four males under sixteen and two females.

If Hezekiah Viets of Darke County, Ohio, is the first child of Hezekiah Phelps Viets, it would seem that his mother, the first wife of Hezekiah Phelps, must

have died before 1783. The Pownal, Vermont, birth record for Truman, the second child of Hezekiah Phelps, lists him as the "first" child of Mary. Hezekiah Phelps remarried about 1798 (as his third wife?) Martha Bronson, daughter of Levi and Abigail (Henderson) Bronson of Kent, Connecticut.

Hezekiah Phelps lived in Pownal, Vermont; Dutchess, Saratoga, and Ulster Counties, New York; and in Kent, Connecticut. In 1822 he moved to Sugarloaf Township, Columbia County, Pennsylvania. The administration of his estate is dated 15 May 1824. His wife Martha renounced her right as administrator to their son Chauncey which establishes the child-parent relationship of the four youngest children. [For further history of this family see Schell, A Viets Genealogy.]

[Note: Both Francis Hubbard Viets and H. Isabel Viets placed some of the children of Hezekiah Phelps Viets in the appendix as "probably descended from Dr. John and Catharine Viets, but the descent has yet to be proved." This is my direct line and I have done much research that indicates these were the children of Hezekiah Phelps Viets by at least two wives, and possibly three. I feel that I have proved to my own satisfaction that the children listed are, indeed, those of Hezekiah Phelps Viets. Very little positive documentation has been found although much circumstantial evidence abounds. For further substantiation see the sections on the children listed below.--DVS] Children, by first marriage:

100. i. Hezekiah, born ca 1780.

By second (?) marriage:

101. ii. Truman, born January 24, 1784.
102. iii. Salmon, born March 11, 1787.
103. iv. Son, born ca 1789-1790, probably in Pownal, Vermont. May be Zopher Viets, adopted by his father's sister, Elizabeth (Viets) Colton. It is possible that his mother (Mary?) died shortly after his birth as his father was remarried with several younger children by 1800. [See Elizabeth, No. 37, and Zopher, No. 103.]

By third (?) marriage:

104. v. Harvey, born ca 1799.
105. vi. Chauncey, born ca 1800.
106. vii. Ira, born ca 1802.
viii. Belinda, born ca 1804. She was listed in the Viets Genealogy as a sister to Harvey, Chauncey, and Ira. The 1810 census of Ulster County, New York, lists a female in the household that fits this age bracket. No further record.

37. (Elizabeth$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Elizabeth Viets, daughter of John Jr. and Elizabeth (Phelps) Viets, was born in Simsbury February 15, 1762 and baptized June 6. She married Eliakim Colton, born in Stafford June 12, 1749, son of the Reverend Eli and Eunice (Smith) Colton of Simsbury. Eli Colton was graduated from Yale College in 1737, and was a son of the Reverend Benjamin Colton, who was the first minister of the West Hartford Congregational Church.

Eliakim Colton served in the army of the Revolution in the 5th Regiment Connecticut Volunteers, Colonel Philip B. Bradley, from July 1 to December 13, 1780; also under Lieutenant Hays, August and September 1776. He died September 23, 1807, age fifty-eight years. His tombstone is in the Simsbury Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Colton had no children of their own, but raised a boy, recorded as Zopher Viets. He kept his original name. [He may have been Elizabeth's nephew, son of Hezekiah Phelps Viets. See Nos. 36 and 103.] Elizabeth Colton died July 12, 1827, age sixty-six, and is buried in the Granby Cemetery beside her foster son and his wife. [Tombstone.]

38. (John$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

John Viets, son of John Jr. and Elizabeth (Phelps) Viets, was born in Simsbury about 1764 and was about one year of age at the time of his father's death. His birth is not recorded on the town records with those of the three older children. He is mentioned, however, in his father's will, found at the Hall of Records, Hartford, signed January 11, 1765 as follows: "I give to my beloved sons Hezekiah Phelps Viets and John Viets, the sum of 120 pounds each." His name again appears on the probate record with that of his brother Hezekiah P. as one of the heirs of John Viets Jr. At a freemen's meeting held in Simsbury, April 7, 1788, among those "admitted and sworn" was John Viets afterwards of Westfield, Massachusetts. He was a farmer.

The town records of Simsbury mention Lois, daughter of Ebenezer and Susannah Phelps, born in Simsbury about 1770. This may be the Lois who became the wife of John Viets of Westfield. Thus grandfather and grandson of the same name married wives of the same name.

The Viets Genealogy states "Mr. Viets removed with his family about 1800 to Rome, New York, where he died. The widow, with the children, soon returned to Westfield, where she died in 1847." The 1800 date must be an error. According to Westfield records, John Viets' name was on the long list for the jury box in Westfield which was accepted August 16, 1813. He was also listed in the 1820 census in Westfield, Massachusetts.

Their daughter Lois married a William Brumley; in the 1840 census for New Hartford, Oneida County, New York, a William Bromley is listed with persons in the household that would also fit the ages of John and Lois Viets. Harvey Viets, son of John, also had a daughter born in Utica in 1826. Since Rome, Utica, and New Hartford are all in the same area it would appear that the

family may indeed have lived in this area and that John Viets died there. No positive documentation of this has yet been found.

Lois Viets' date of death is given as May 19, 1846 in the Agawam Congregational Church Records. [VR, West Springfield, Massachusetts.] The death of a "Mr. Viets" is listed as September 4, 1847. The latter may be for their son Harvey who was listed in the 1840 census at West Springfield. Children:

i. Betsey. This may have been the "female child of Viets aged 6 mos.; died May 7, 1795" as recorded in Westfield vital records or she may have been the Betsey Viets listed in the North Granby Church records as marrying Cleophas Reed November 23, 1815.

107. ii. Letia, born 1796.

108. iii. Lois.

109. iv. Harvey.

## 39. (Anna[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Anna Viets, daughter of the Reverend Roger and Hester (Botsford) Viets, was born June 6, 1776; baptized in Scotland [Bloomfield] August 14, 1774. She married December 25, 1794 Joseph Conley. She died July 17, 1802 in Nova Scotia, leaving four children, three of whom were living in 1809. [Trinity Anglican Parish Register, FHF#0979410, item 4.] Children, born in Digby, Nova Scotia:

i. Margaret Conley, born January 3, 1798.

ii. John Cornelius Conley, christened January 30, 1800.

iii. Ann Hester Conley, christened August 15, 1802.

[iv. Joseph Conley, christened October 26, 1805. He may have been the eldest and was not christened until 1805 or perhaps he was the son of Joseph by his second wife.]

## 40. (Martha[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Martha "Patty" Viets, daughter of the Reverend Roger and Hester (Botsford) Viets, was born July 9, 1778 in Simsbury; her sponsors at christening were Elisha and Eunice Griswold and her grandmother, Lois Viets. She married in Nova Scotia, September 26, 1794 Captain John Beyea. They resided in St. John, New Brunswick. She was regarded by later generations as the family record keeper and was affectionately known as "Aunt Beyea" - pronounced "B.A." Wilson's History of Digby, Nova Scotia states that John Beyea was a Loyalist residing in the commercial metropolis of New Brunswick and was a commander of the Mary Ann. He was also listed as the Captain of the Sally, a mail, passenger, and freight packet between St. John, New Brunswick, and Digby and Annapolis, Nova Scotia. [Trinity Anglican Parish Register, FHF#0979410, item 4.] Children:

i. Benjamin Beyea, christened October 6, 1796.
ii. John Burkel Beyea, christened September 20, 1805.
iii. Mariana Beyea, christened August 13, 1807.

## 41. (Roger Moore[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Roger Moore Viets, son of the Reverend Roger and Hester (Botsford) Viets, was born in Scotland, [Bloomfield], November 29, 1784. The sponsors at his baptism were Capt. Roger Moore, Alexander Viets Griswold, and Eunice Griswold. He was about two years of age when his family moved to Digby, Nova Scotia. He was educated for the ministry. He was one of the original three alumni of King's College, Windsor, Nova Scotia, and is thought to have been the first to be graduated, having taken the required four year course in three years.

In 1809 he was at St. John, New Brunswick, where he was assistant clergyman and had charge of a grammar school. He succeeded his father as rector at Digby. On his stone in the Cemetery in Digby is the following epitaph: "Sacred to the memory of Rev. Roger Moore Viets, who died 26 June 1839, Ae. 54 years, having been for 25 years rector of this parish."

Roger Moore Viets married Eliza Knutton of St. John. She died March 17, 1862. Children:

110. i. John Knutton, born 1809.
111. ii. Botsford, born July 4, 1810.
112. iii. Margaret Susan, born ca 1812.
113. iv. Louisa, born ca 1813.
v. Katherine, born July 16, 1815.
114. vi. Eliza Sophia, born December 15, 1816.
115. vii. Caroline, born May 9, 1818.
viii. George Augustus, born December 19, 1819; died 1839, a divinity student at Kings College, Nova Scotia.

Reference: [Trinity Anglican Parish Register, FHF#0979410, item 4.]

## 42. (Mary Eliza[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Eliza "Polly" Viets, daughter of the Reverend Roger and Hester (Botsford) Viets, was born February 9, 1792 in Digby, Nova Scotia; married June 2, 1811 Jacob Dakin, born August 17, 1786 in Digby, son of Thomas and Rebecca (Hitchcock) Dakin. Mr. Dakin was a blacksmith. He died in Digby, November 5, 1873. [Trinity Anglican Parish Register, FHF#0979410, item 4.] The name Dakin, English form of the French Dakeny, De A Keny, etc., is an ancient name, dating back to 802 A.D. in Normandy. One of the family fought under William the Conqueror in the Battle of Hastings and his name is enrolled in "Battle Abbey." A Thomas Dakin was in Massachusetts before 1650. Another Thomas, the father of Jacob, emigrated from Quaker Hill, New York, to Digby in 1783. Children:

i. Orlando Viets Dakin, born May 19, 1812; married Mary E. Bruce. Four children (Dakin).
ii. Eliza Dakin, born February 22, 1815; married Alfred Ray.
iii. Jane Ann Dakin, born February 17, 1818 in Digby, Nova Scotia; married there Wentworth Henry Quigley, born 1814 or 1815 in Granville, Nova Scotia, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman W. Quigley. Wentworth Quigley was a deacon of the Digby Baptist Church when it was organized September 30, 1839. He and his wife were on the executive committee of the local temperance society. Mr. Quigley died in Boston about 1873. Three children (Quigley).
iv. Maria Dakin, born April 2, 1820; married first, William Sothern; second, Joseph Chute.
v. Margaret Katherine Dakin, born December 27, 1822.
vi. Botsford Wellington Dakin, born June 20, 1825; married October 25, 1855 in Centreville, Nova Scotia, Margaret Ann Dakin, born November 9, 1837 in Centreville. Mrs. Dakin died June 15, 1909 and her husband died October 9, 1912, both in Digby. Seven children (Dakin). [Loyalist Lineages of Canada, 1783-1983.]
vii. Emily Cecelia Dakin, born November 18, 1826 in Digby; married there December 17, 1847 Charles Edward Gibson. Eleven children (Gibson).
viii. Gilbert Watson Dakin, born November 1, 1829; removed to Massachusetts where he was a schoolteacher and editor.
ix. Henry Walker Dakin, born June 11, 1832; married Adelia Foster. One daughter (Dakin).
x. Robert Augustus Dakin, born September 27, 1836; was a physician and surgeon and resided in Pugwash, Nova Scotia.

43. (Ruth$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Ruth Viets, daughter of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets was baptized September 2, 1770 in Scotland [Bloomfield] by the Reverend Roger Viets. She married Jonathan Palmer and died in 1840. Children:

i. Betsey Palmer.
ii. Chauncey Palmer.
iii. James Palmer, resided in Attice, New York.
iv. Carlisle Palmer, born about 1812; married Rose Ann (or Nancy Rosannah), daughter of Jesse Viets. [See No. 129.]
v. Caroline Palmer, married Paschal Winthrop Grant [see No. 52] as his second wife on November 14, 1846. He died November 2, 1869; his widow died March 24, 1887. Two children (Grant).

44. (Seth$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Seth Viets, son of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets, was born in Simsbury (now East Granby) in 1772 and baptized by his uncle, the Reverend Roger Viets, December 20 of that year in Turkey Hills. He was married February 19, 1799 at the First Church in Feeding Hills, Massachusetts (then a part of Westfield), to

Eunice Dewey, born in Canterbury in 1779, daughter of Josiah and Huldah (Frost) Dewey. Seth Viets succeeded to the homestead of his father in Pawlet, Vermont, where he died June 8, 1847. Mrs. Seth Viets, age 80, was among the "Mothers of the Town" of Pawlet. She died May 8, 1860. [Jenks, Cemetery Inscriptions, Pawlet, Vermont.] Children:

116. i. Seth, born ca 1800.
ii. Eunice, born June 15, 1801; died April 8, 1880, unmarried.
117. iii. Harvey, born ca 1807.
118. iv. Mary, born ca 1808.
119. v. Isabel, born ca 1810.
120. vi. Henry, born May 4, 1814.

## 45. (Simeon Smith$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Simeon Smith Viets, son of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets, was christened at Salmon Brook, April 2, 1775 by his uncle, Roger Viets. [Bates, Records of Rev. Roger Viets.] He was named for his grandfather, Simeon Smith of Suffield. From West Springfield, Massachusetts, Feeding Hills Church: "Simeon Viets of Westfield and Jane McIntyre of West Springfield married June 21, 1795." Jane, born December 9, 1774, was the daughter of George and Thankful (Morley?) McIntyre. He married second, Widow Warner.

Simeon Viets was a man of enterprise and a Connecticut Yankee. He introduced into Suffield (where he spent most of his life) the manufacture of cigars which became an important industry in the town. These were seldom seen in the town before 1800 and were imported from the West Indies. Simeon Viets saw his business fail in 1821 and died penniless in 1838.

From the Windsor Locks Journal, 1942:

> The site of America's first cigar factory which was located in West Suffield will be the center of attraction Sunday afternoon November first at 3 o'clock, with unveiling of a stone marker and erection of a flagpole, and fitting patriotic exercises, establishing a prominent place for the town of Suffield in the long history of tobacco, the most important crop in this section of the country. This is the opening event in the international commemoration of the 450th anniversary of the birthday of the cigar next month.
>
> The American cigar industry began in Suffield early in the nineteenth century--as a commercial operation to supplant the rolling of cigars in the home, then the sole method of manufacture in this locality and other sections of the East. In 1810 Simeon Viets opened his shop, hiring a Cuban who had drifted into the town, to teach women to make cigars on a wholesale scale. He sent out salesmen (then termed peddlers) to dispose of these "real Spanish cigars," partly made of native tobacco. In the course of time the opening of this cigar factory resulted in many others; in fact, it is known that six hundred plants were once in operation in this inaugural center of cigar manufacture on this hemisphere; and,

according to the local historical society, between 1821 and 1831 "the art of making cigars was so generally acquired that the spinning wheel, the loom, and the dairy gave way to the cigar table and the cutting board." From 1830 to 1850 most of the families of the Suffield area depended upon this new industry, and cigars were exchanged for household needs by merchants who found a ready sale for them. The cigar industry in Suffield began before tobacco was widely grown in that region.

In Civil War time the annual output was fourteen and one-half million cigars in the plants established in this little village. The pioneer cigar factory was located where now is the farm of Will Colson, on Ratley Road and Spruce Street. . . .

Children:

121. i. Sophia, born August 10, 1800.
122. ii. Simeon Smith Jr., born 1802.
123. iii. Jane, born October 5, 1805.
124. iv. Nancy, born 1807.
v. Louisa, born 1809; died in Easthampton, Massachusetts, in 1882, unmarried. [Massachusetts Index VR, FHF#0954401.]

## 46. (Lois$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Lois Viets, daughter of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets, was born probably in that part of Simsbury which is now East Granby, May 28, 1777. This is the date given for her sister Lydia in the Viets Genealogy but is an error according to the family Bible of David Cleveland, husband of Lydia Viets.

From Suffield Congregational Church records: "Benjamin Moody and Lois Viets married in Suffield May 28, 1796." Benjamin Moody was of Hartford. From Westfield records: "Lois Viets, daughter of Seth Viets and Ruth Smith of Westfield, married in Westfield Benjamin Moody of Hartford" [no date given]. Mrs. Moody and her brother, Roswell Viets, shared a business in East Hartford. [See Nos. 50 and 53.] From vital records of Granby: "Mrs. Moody, aged 49, died May 1826."

## 47. (Deborah$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Deborah Viets, daughter of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets, was born in that part of Simsbury which is now East Granby, date unknown. She married March 13, 1868 Joseph Jones of Pawlet, Vermont, son of Silas Jones. She died about 1871 in Saratoga, New York.

## 48. (Lydia$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Lydia Viets, daughter of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets, was born October 12, 1779 (as recorded in the family Bible of David Cleveland) in Simsbury, now East Granby. She married November 19, 1798 in Westfield, Massachusetts [VR, Westfield] Captain David Cleveland of Pawlet, Vermont. He achieved the title

of Captain by serving in the Pawlet Light Artillery which may have seen some action in the War of 1812. He was born in 1777 in Salem, New York, son of Benjamin and Margaret (Hopkins) Cleveland. The family moved from Pawlet to Hinckley, Ohio, about 1836 where both Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland died, she October 17, 1836 and he February 8, 1855. Children, born in Vermont:

i. Harriett Cleveland, born August 6, 1801; married in Pawlet, October 19, 1820 David Anderson of Pawlet, born March 28, 1793 in Blandford, Massachusetts, son of James and Grace Anderson, probably from Northern Ireland. For several years David Anderson was Supervisor of the town of Pembroke, New York, the highest office of the town. He died there November 4, 1878; his widow died April 19, 1882. Eleven children (Anderson).

ii. Julia Cleveland, born October 13, 1803; died in Hinckley August, 27, 1855, unmarried.

iii. Hannah Cleveland, born March 14, 1806; died in Hinckley November 25, 1897; married William A. Blackney. (No children.)

iv. Laura Cleveland, born June 25, 1808; married in Hinckley May 24, 1837 William Bell, born June 6, 1813 in Mercer County, Pennsylvania. Both died in Hinckley; she February 2, 1889 and he May 24, 1891. One son (Bell).

v. George Cleveland, born November 17, 1810; married first, in Weymouth, Ohio, May 16, 1844 Electa Ann Train, born August 9, 1825 in Whately, Massachusetts, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Guernsey) Train. He married second, in Chatham, Ohio, October 4, 1860 Mary Lucinda Cleveland (a distant cousin) born in Salem, New York, daughter of Ira and _____ (Russell) Cleveland. Mr. Cleveland died December 20, 1872 in York, Ohio; his widow died February 1877. Two children (Cleveland).

vi. David Hopkins Cleveland, born May 14, 1813; married in Hinckley February 4, 1841 Eliza Swift, born June 10, 1819 in Cecil County, Maryland. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland died in Hinckley; he died September 25, 1848 and she the following October 16. Two children (Cleveland).

vii. Sylvester Cleveland, born January 24, 1817; married first, in Richfield, Ohio, Mary E. Stocking, born April 26, 1818 in Richfield, and died February 24, 1861 in Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Cleveland married second, March 5, 1862, Mrs. Sally Curtiss (Morgan) Barbour. Mr. Cleveland was a surveyor and his occupation called on him to reside in many parts of the country. He lived before the Civil War in New Orleans and when the war came he took up the cause of the Confederacy. He lived in Atlanta during a part of the war and was Assistant Commissary officer for the state. In 1864 he went to Chicago, from there to Denver, Colorado, and in 1880 to Topeka, Kansas. He died July 1, 1889. Four children (Cleveland).

viii. Lois Cleveland, born June 18, 1820; married in Hinckley in 1836 Captain William Harlow Comstock, born May 7, 1819 in New York state. His father was a sea captain and his mother a native of France. He was a Captain in the Union Army during the Civil War

in the 65th Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry; died in Central City, Nebraska, March 19, 1878; his widow died in Ridgeville, Ohio, October 1891. Three children (Comstock).

Reference: Genealogy of the Cleveland and Cleaveland Families.

**49. (Jesse$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)**

Jesse Viets, son of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets, was born in Simsbury, now East Granby, February 1781. He was living in Westfield, Massachusetts, when about 20 years of age and married there November 26, 1802 Dolly Sacket. [VR, Westfield.] He became interested in religion and became a Methodist minister. He probably removed with his father's family to Pawlet, Vermont. He was located for a time at St. Albans, Vermont, and was the only minister in the region at that time. From there he moved to Ohio and settled in Amboy in 1823. The journey was made with one pair of horses and all their possessions in one wagon.

When the time of their departure was announced, everybody came from far and near to bid them farewell and Godspeed on their long and tedious journey. Mr. Viets organized the Methodist Episcopal Church in Amboy in 1832 [Ashtabula County Genealogical Society, Ashtabula County, Ohio History, Then and Now], was its first pastor, and was a successful preacher in eastern Ohio for nearly twenty years. As a Christian, he was a pattern of piety, his life being a practical comment upon the gospel of Christ. He died July 19, 1842 and his widow died October 20 of the same year. [Ashtabula County, Ohio, Cemetery Inscriptions.]

Dolly Sacket was born November 25, 1777, daughter of Abner and Rhoda (Kellogg) Sacket, both of Westfield. Lieutenant Abner Sacket was a soldier of the Revolution and as shown by Massachusetts State records enlisted April 28, 1775 in Captain Warham Park's Company of Colonel Timothy Danielson's Regiment. He is credited with a term of service lasting three months and ten days in said company. He is also credited with responding to the alarm of April 19, 1775 and serving for eight days previous to his enlistment as above stated in Westfield Company of minute men, commanded by Lieutenant John Shepard. Mention is also made of his services for an unstated period as 1st Lieutenant of Captain Daniel Sacket's Company of the 3rd Regiment of Hampshire County Militia.

From Weygant, Sacketts of America:

> The Sackets, Sacketts, and Sackvilles of England trace descent from a common ancestor whose forbears were natives of Normandy. The colonist ancestors of the Sackets and Sacketts of America came from England.
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> About 1340, Adam le Sackere (Adam the sacker)--from the fact that he purchased and imported wool--is met with in England. His ancestor came to England with William the Conqueror and is recognized by the Sackets, Sacketts, and Sackvilles of England as their common ancestor. Simon

Sacket came to Massachusetts and was one of the founders of Newtown. John Sacket became a resident of New Haven. In early records the name was spelled with two t's.

Children:

i. Jesse Jr., born ca 1803; died August 6, 1806 in St. Albans, Vermont.
125. ii. Rodney, born 16 June 1806.
126. iii. Rollin, born June 1808.
127. iv. Dolly Ann, born February 25, 1811.
128. v. Mary Ann, born June 14, 1813.
129. vi. Rose Ann or Nancy Rosannah, born 1816.
130. vii. Eunice Madonna, born December 19, 1818.

## 50. (Roswell[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Roswell Viets, son of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets, was born December 30, 1784 probably in what is now East Granby. For some years he resided in East Hartford where he was in business and later was in East Windsor. In June 1820 he removed to Amboy, Ashtabula County, Ohio. He married first September 27, 1814 Arabella Granger, born in Connecticut, who died May 27, 1824 age thirty-one years. He married second in Ashtabula, Ohio, November 30, 1825 Nancy Benham. Mrs. Viets died May 19, 1860 in Ashtabula, Ohio. Mr. Viets died in Conneaut, Ohio, February 28, 1864. [Ashtabula County Cemetery Inscriptions.] Children:

131. i. Franklin, born January 1, 1816.
132. ii. Barzillia Granger, born February 5, 1818.
133. iii. Fidelia, born February 28, 1820.
134. iv. Charlotte, born March 20, 1822.

## 51. (Zopher[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Zopher Viets, son of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets, was born January 30, 1790 (place unknown); married May 11, 1814 Tacy Hillyer in East Granby, where he was then living. Tacy Hillyer was born September 9, 1794, daughter of Seth and Sybal Case Hillyer. [Salmon Brook Historical Society, Granby Town Records, 1786-1853.] Seth Hillyer was born in Granby. The family removed to Williamsfield, Ohio, in 1834 where Mr. Viets died September 4, 1860; his widow died in Conneaut, Ohio, November 20, 1868. [Ashtabula County Genealogical Society, History of Ashtabula County, Ohio, Then & Now.] Children:

135. i. Julia A., born January 13, 1815.
136. ii. Armenus E., born June 18, 1817.
137. iii. Emeline A., born November 17, 1819.
iv. A daughter, born January 7, 1821; died in infancy.
138. v. Zopher H., born April 16, 1823.
139. vi. Lois A., born October 28, 1825.
140. vii. Hiram A., born January 19, 1828.

141. viii. Mary Jane, born June 2, 1830.
142. ix. Martha M., born May 25, 1834.
143. x. Shalor Nelson, born January 4, 1837.
144. xi. Gaylor G., born August 24, 1840.

## 52. (Julia[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Julia Viets, daughter of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets, was probably born in Westfield, Massachusetts, in 1794. She married Paschal Winthrop Grant, July 1829 [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314] born in East Windsor, December 14, 1793, son of Roswell and Fluvia (Wolcott) Grant. He was a private in the Connecticut militia in 1813. In East Windsor he was a surveyor, collector, and assessor. Mrs. Grant died May 14, 1842 in Conneaut, Ohio, where the family had moved in the autumn of 1832. After her death Mr. Grant married Caroline Palmer [see No. 43] who died March 14, 1887. Mr. Grant died November 2, 1860. Children, born in East Windsor:

i. Edward Grant, born May 14, 1821; married in Conneaut, Ohio, January 1845 Mary Cole Keyes, born in Conneaut November 14, 1823. Mr. Grant was a merchant and a manufacturer of tobacco products. He was drowned in March 1850 in Lake Erie, caused by an explosion of a steam boiler. Two children (Grant).
ii. Henry Grant, born February 10, 1830; married Mary Jane Viets, daughter of Zopher Viets. [See No. 141.]
iii. Paschal Winthrop Grant Jr., born July 10, 1832; married in Conneaut, January 1858 Maria Porter Woodruff. Mr. Grant died in Conneaut January 16, 1860. His widow married Henry P. Keyes and died in Lapeer, Michigan, March 10, 1895, age sixty-two years.

## 53. (Sarah[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Sarah Viets, daughter of Seth and Ruth (Smith) Viets, was born July 16, 1798 in Westfield, Massachusetts. When thirteen years of age she went from Pawlet, Vermont, to East Hartford, where she assisted in a manufacturing business carried on by Roswell Viets and his sister, Lois (Viets) Moody. She married in West Springfield, Massachusetts, February 25, 1819 Daniel Brewer IV [Feeding Hills Congregational Church record], born in East Hartford, February 22, 1796, son of Daniel III and Elizabeth W. (Roberts) Brewer. Mrs. Brewer died October 4, 1883. Children:

i. Arthur Ellsworth Brewer, born November 19, 1819 in East Hartford; died February 1, 1901 in Monson, Massachusetts; married in 1842 or 1843 Catherine Andrus of South Glastonbury, who died in Monson, 1862. He married second, Sylvia C. Bugbee of Union. Three children by first marriage (Brewer).
ii. Hansey Brewer, born March 10, 1822 in East Hartford; married November 25, 1846 William Jones, born July 13, 1821 in East Hartford and died May 1, 1886. Mrs. Jones died June 14, 1907 in Hockanum, East Hartford. Two children (Jones).
iii. Charlotte Brewer, born December 12, 1823 in East Hartford;

married E. Howlett of East Hartford.

iv. Caroline Brewer, born May 23, 1826 in East Hartford; married December 24, 1845 William Smith Avery, born January 7, 1813 in Groton, and died December 28, 1891 in East Hartford. One son (Avery), unmarried.

v. Edgar Brewer, born June 17, 1830 in East Hartford; married Ellen King of Hartford who died July 3, 1901. Mr. Brewer died January 13, 1931. He was presented with a gold-headed cane as oldest member of family at the 1919 Viets' reunion. Four children (Brewer).

vi. Hamlet Brewer, born October 15, 1832; died June 17, 1870; married Ellen Vibberts.

vii. Julia Brewer, born April 13, 1835; married Cyrus Knight of Hartford.

viii. Roswell Henry Brewer, born May 30, 1837; died 1839.

ix. Roswell Viets Brewer, born August 1839; died age twenty-six years.

54. (Abner$^4$, Abner$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Abner Viets Jr., son of Captain Abner and Mary (Viets) Viets, was born in what is now East Granby June 28, 1772 and baptized there September 20, 1772 by the Reverend Roger Viets. He married Sarah Booth [probably the one of that name who was born in Simsbury, March 18, 1772, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Phelps) Booth]. They lived in a house which stood a little east of the old homestead of his father, on the north side of the highway, and also for a time on the farm of his grandfather on his mother's side, near Newgate prison.

An incident touching the family life of Abner and Sarah has been handed down which is worthy of relating, as it indicates acumen and sense of humor in the one, and pluck in the other. Abner's wife was sick and not expected to live. A clever girl, Abiah Phelps, was helping and taking care of the children. Abner was sitting near the sick bed, when his wife said to him: "Abner, what are you going to do when I am gone? You will be getting married again, I suppose." Abner, after a moment of quiet, replied: "I don't know. Abiah, here, is a good hand to take care of children." There upon, Sarah sprang up in bed, and with great determination, said: "Abiah Phelps shall never take care of my children!" immediately dressed herself and went about the housework.

The family of Abner Viets removed about 1825 to Fowler, Trumbull County, Ohio. Mr. Viets died November 18, 1825; his widow died May 26, 1837 and was buried in Fowler. Children:

145. i. Sarah, born March 7, 1794.
146. ii. Rebecca, born September 4, 1796.
147. iii. Mary "Polly," born February 25, 1798.
148. iv. Angeline, born May 4, 1800.
149. v. Byron, born January 25, 1802.
150. vi. Drayton, born June 13, 1804.

vii. Carlos, said to have been a soldier in the Mexican War and to have died near New Orleans.
151. viii. Oliver.
152. ix. Lathrop A., born December 2, 1816.

55. (Mary[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Viets, daughter of Abner and Mary (Viets) Viets, was born in May 1774. She was baptized in Turkey Hills July 17, 1774 by her uncle, the Reverend Roger Viets. She married Henry Viets June 22, 1795. She died April 7, 1805. [See No. 24.]

56. (Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Benoni Viets, son of Abner and Mary (Viets) Viets, was born February 13, 1777 in what is now East Granby; married Esther Dewey, born May 6, 1780 in Westfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Gad and Deidamia (Wood) Dewey. She died May 24, 1829. They lived for a time near the home of his father, and also for a time resided on a farm just south of the prison. Children:

i. Lester, baptized in Granby, June 30, 1800 by Roger Viets; died October 11, 1803 and was buried in Granby Cemetery. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]
153. ii. Deidamia, born ca 1801.
154. iii. Eliza A., born ca 1806.
iv. Lester, born 1809; died October 3, 1821. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]
v. Ratus, born 1809; died 1821.
155. vi. Rudd, born ca 1811.
156. vii. Hobart Benoni.
viii. Edwin Alonzo. He was listed in the 1840 census in New Harmony, Posey County, Indiana, living alone. According to the Viets Genealogy he had two children. A Virgil Viets enumerated in the same county in the 1850 census as a printer, born ca 1831 in Indiana, may have been his son. An "Edwin A. Viets" died December 3, 1845. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]
157. ix. Julia, born October 31, 1821.

57. (Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Samuel Viets, son of Captain Abner and Mary (Viets) Viets, was born January 17, 1779 and died suddenly March 6, 1814. He resided for a time on his grandfather's place south of Newgate, near the peak, afterwards occupied by his brother Benoni. He married in October 1804 Susan Pratt, born ca 1782, whose mother was a daughter of Haynes and Elizabeth (Griswold) Woodbridge, the latter being a daughter of Honorable Samuel Griswold of Windsor. Haynes Woodbridge was a descendant of Governor Haynes of Connecticut, also of Governor Dudley of Massachusetts. Samuel Griswold was descended from the Honorable Henry Wolcott, founder of the Wolcott family of Connecticut. Mrs. Viets died April 4, 1865. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children:

158. i. Seymour Samuel, born May 16, 180_.
ii. Miles or Milo, born 1806 or 1807; married June 2, 1825 Julia Alderman, daughter of Ezekiel Alderman. He was in the U.S. Army in 1834.
iii. William Pratt, born about 1810; was in Trinity College in Hartford for a time; died in Pennsylvania.
159. iv. Susan Jane, born July 30, 1814.

58. (Eunice$^4$, Abner$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Eunice Viets, daughter of Captain Abner and Mary (Viets) Viets, was born in East Granby, December 28, 1780; married December 6, 1802 Enoch Kellogg, born October 9, 1768 in Westfield, Massachusetts, a son of David and Elizabeth (Jones) Kellogg. Mr. Kellogg was a farmer in Southwick, Massachusetts, and both he and his wife died there. He died October 29, 1847, she September 15, 1863. Children, born in Southwick, Massachusetts:

i. Enoch Viets Kellogg, born February 19, 1804; married in Southwick, December 1 or 4, 1828 by Rev. Calvin Foote, Lucy Loomis, born May 9, 1810 in Southwick, daughter of Japhet and Mehitable (Kent) Loomis. Mr. Kellogg was a farmer and resided in Westfield until 1832 when he removed to Fowler, Ohio. There he served as county commissioner for Trumbull County nine years. He died in Fowler March 27, 1872; his widow died in the home of her daughter Eunice in Cortland, Ohio, September 30, 1889. Six children (Kellogg).
ii. Annis Kellogg, born March 2, 1806 and died May 5, 1863. She married Richard Hardy of Southwick, a son of Henry Hardy.
iii. Eunice Kellogg, born October 11, 1808; married September 23, 1831 Amos J. Larnard or Leonard (the descendants call it the former), born in Suffield, October 20, 1808, a son of Amariah of Suffield and Fowler, Ohio, and Sarah (Johnson) Larnard. He died October 20, 1892; his widow died May 16, 1898. Seven children (Larnard).
iv. Mary Kellogg, born December 22, 1811; died August 16, 1814.
v. Lavinia Kellogg, born February 17, 1814; married Lathrop A. Viets. [See No. 152.]
vi. Samuel Kellogg, born August 23, 1816; married May 2, 1866, Mary A. Smith, born 1838 in Chester, Massachusetts. Mr. Kellogg was a farmer and lived on the old homestead; he died April 14, 1868. Two daughters (Kellogg).
vii. Hiram Kellogg, born December 9, 1819; married February 9, 1862 Mrs. Elizabeth (Kilbourn) Hurlburt, born November 18, 1836, daughter of Evelin and Julia (Moses) Kilbourn. Mr. Kellogg died after 1900. One son (Kellogg).

Reference: Hopkins, Kelloggs in the Old World and the New.

59. (Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Dan Viets, son of Captain Abner and Mary (Viets) Viets, was born in the old homestead October 17, 1783. He married, January 1, 1812 Beulah Phelps, born February 21, 1790, daughter of Deacon Judah and Abigail (Bishop) Phelps of Suffield, and sister of Captain Apollos Phelps. Deacon Judah Phelps served in the Revolutionary War in Colonel Josiah Spencer's regiment. He was a descendant of William Phelps, who came to Dorchester, Massachusetts, on the Mary and John and was one of the founders of Windsor in 1636.

Mr. Viets built a home on the south side of the highway, nearly opposite his father's place, where he lived for about 55 years. He was a farmer and a stonecutter. The stepstones of his own house, as well as those of many houses in East Granby, are a memorial of his work. He was called Deacon Dan, although he never held the office of deacon in any church. He was a lay member and vestryman of the Episcopal Church at Salmon Brook (Granby). He partook of the communion with his wife at the Baptist Church in Tariffville, of which she was a member, and she in turn communed with him at the Episcopal Church. He was quite public spirited; for the sake of convenience to himself and others he built by contract, at a low figure, the highway from Granby to East Granby. His wife was a woman of energy, working wonders at the spinning wheel and the loom. She died February 6, 1862; Mr. Viets died December 20, 1866.

Children, born in East Granby:

160. i. Mary A. Louisa, born February 15, 1813.
161. ii. Annis Samantha, born February 3, 1815.
162. iii. Julia Ann, born August 17, 1816.
163. iv. Harriet Newell, born January 1, 1818.
164. v. Apollos Phelps, born September 20, 1819.
165. vi. Judah Dryden, born February 2, 1823.
166. vii. Dan Alexander, born November 11, 1824.
167. viii. Joseph Franklin, born February 6, 1827.
168. ix. Benjamin Erskine, born June 12, 1828.

60. (Levi[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Levi Viets, son of Captain Abner and Mary (Viets) Viets, was born June 15, 1786 and spent his life at the old homestead, which he received from his father. He was a man of energy and sagacity, cultivated a large farm, and was prudent and saving, both of time and money, never wasting an hour. He married, February 15, 1825 Sarah Dibble, daughter of Deacon Benjamin and Elizabeth (Fuller) Dibble. She was a woman of marked ability, industry, and economy. She was as much the head of the family as her husband, and was consulted by him on important matters. In 1840 she developed mental problems. She died September 15, 1852. Levi Viets died December 22, 1857. Children:

169. i. Levi Clinton, born January 17, 1827.
ii. Richard Benjamin, born April 23, 1830; died July 24, 1863; was a young man of excellent character and principle; he was a

communicant of the Episcopal Church in Tariffville. When about 12 years of age he decided, of his own accord, to drink no more hard cider, a too-prevalent habit among farmers of that day; neither he nor his brother Clinton ever drank alcoholic beverages thereafter.

61. (Elizabeth[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Elizabeth Viets, daughter of Abner and Mary (Viets) Viets, was born April 30, 1790 and christened by her uncle, Roger Viets, 30 June 1800. She married Russell Loomis, son of Noah Loomis. She died in 1857; her husband died October 10, 1823. Children [VR, Southwick, Massachusetts:

i. Daughter, born November 1, 1807.
ii. John Loomis, born August 20 1815.

62. (Keziah[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Keziah Viets, daughter of Luke and Keziah (Phelps) Viets, was born November 12, 1777. She married first May 7, 1818 Eli Moore; married second James Hendrick Jr. of Easthampton, Massachusetts, who died in 1857. Keziah died in August 1847.

63. (Rosanna[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Rosanna Viets, daughter of Luke and Keziah (Phelps) Viets, was born December 4, 1778 in Captain John Viets' house at Newgate. She married September 5, 1800 Elijah Remington [VR, Suffield], born August 1774, son of Elijah and widow Esther Gunn Remington, and died March 9, 1807. According to Phelps and Servin, Genealogy of the Phelps Family, Mrs. Remington later married a Mr. Wearn. Children:

i. Eliza Remington, born August 21, 1801 in Suffield; she married November 20, 1825 Jabez Hendrick, born March 22, 1796 in Easthampton, Massachusetts, son of James and Huldah (Parsons) Hendrick. He died in Springfield, Massachusetts, August 5, 1885; his wife died February 7, 1876 in Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts. Mr. Hendrick was a farmer and resided in Suffield and later in Chicopee Falls. Eight children (Hendrick).
ii. John Remington, born June 26, 1803.
iii. Esther Remington, married John Tullar, a keeper of Newgate prison. The family removed to Peoria, Illinois.

64. (Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Luke Viets Jr., son of Luke and Keziah (Phelps) Viets, was born in Captain John Viets' house at Newgate, August 2, 1780 and died at his own home not far distant April 30, 1821, age forty. He married June 4, 1798 Abigail Phelps, daughter of Deacon Judah and Abigail (Bishop) Phelps. She was born May 27,

1781 and died May 16, 1831. She is said to have been a lady of remarkable beauty. Children, born in East Granby:

170. i. Gervase, born February 4, 1800.
171. ii. Nancy Ann, born July 3, 1801.
iii. Charles, born March 12, 1803; died March 1, 1838, unmarried.
iv. Catherine, born August 14, 1805; died January 9, 1818.
v. Orlando, born August 5, 1807; died July 8, 1811. Buried in Suffield Cemetery. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]
172. vi. Henry W., born September 2, 1809.
173. vii. Abigail, born August 6, 1811.
174. viii. Ansel, born March 27, 1814.
175. ix. Jane, born May 9, 1816.
176. x. Emeline Caroline, born February 2, 1818.
177. xi. Amoret E., born May 31, 1821.

65. (John$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Captain John Viets, son of Luke and Keziah (Phelps) Viets, was born at Newgate March 1, 1782. He was captain of a training band, read much, and was well posted in law and the practical affairs of the day. He was an industrious and successful farmer. He settled at the age of 25 on the farm a mile south of the prison, afterwards for many years in possession of his son, Chauncey E., and later owned by George E. Bidwell. He purchased and occupied during the latter part of his life the Orson Phelps' place in East Granby. He is said to have been a man of medium stature and of dark eyes and hair. He served as Captain of the 18th regiment in the War of 1812. He married October 2, 1805 Abigail Eno, born February 28, 1785 in Simsbury, daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Hart) Eno of Simsbury. Jonathan Eno was a descendant of James Eno, one of the early settlers of Windsor. Mary Hart, his wife, was a descendant of Deacon Stephen Hart, who settled in Cambridge, Massachusetts, in 1630, and later in Hartford.

John Viets died October 11, 1857; his widow died December 20, 1863. Children:

178. i. John Jay, born September 22, 1806.
179. ii. Imlay Bird, born December 19, 1808.
180. iii. Abi Lavinia, born April 20, 1810.
181. iv. Chauncey Eno, born October 3, 1812.
182. v. Mary Adelia, born February 19, 1819.
183. vi. James Rollin, born September 20, 1821.

Reference: Richardson, The Eno and Enos Family in America.

66. (George$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Captain George Viets, son of Luke and Keziah (Phelps) Viets, was born February 12, 1788 in Captain John Viets' house at Newgate and lived there most of his life. He was captain of a training band, a thrifty farmer, and carried on an extensive business in gravestones. He built the stonehouse occupied for many

years by his son George Watson. He was a promoter of good roads. His account book shows that he furnished a large amount of material for repairs at the prison. Likewise it showed that he hauled ore from the copper mines to the Farmington Canal when the mines were reopened about 1830. He was one of the few descendants of Captain John Viets, aside from the descendants of the Reverend Roger, who was of the Episcopal faith.

George Viets married on February 16, 1809 his cousin, Charlotte Rice, born September 13, 1787 in Suffield, daughter of Eleazar and Rosannah (Viets) Rice. [See No. 18.] Mr. and Mrs. Viets lived during their later years in Windsor, where both died, she on April 21, 1862 and he on May 3, 1863. They, as well as four infants [no dates], are buried in East Granby Cemetery. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children, born at Newgate:

184. i. George Watson, born December 2, 1809.
ii. Charlotte, born September 20, 1811; died November 18, 1811.
185. iii. Allen, born March 24, 1813.
186. iv. Esther Keziah, born June 18, 1816.

67. (Esther$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Esther Viets, daughter of Luke and Keziah (Phelps) Viets, was born at Newgate, January 22, 1790 and died October 8, 1820 in Granby. She married in 1809 Pliny Owen, who was born October 30, 1787 and died June 31, 1831 in Granby. He was the son of Isaac Jr. and Zerviah (Cornish) Owen. Children:

i. Frances Catherine Owen, born March 1, 1810 in East Granby; died there October 1, 1824.
ii. Milo Milton Owen, born August 3, 1811; married in East Granby June 12, 1839 Martha Abigail Alderman. Mr. Owen died in Suffield, August 12, 1886. Two children (Owen).
iii. Esther Louise Owen, born March 22, 1815; married July 7, 1834 Levi C. Brown, M.D., who died in Painesville, Ohio, August 1882. His widow died December 24, 1882. Four children (Brown).
iv. Emily Parinthia Owen, born June 22, 1816; died October 15, 1894 in Parkersburg, West Virginia. She married October 16, 1838 in Farmington, Ohio, Austin Durker Kibbee, born January 6, 1806 and died May 3, 1882. His first wife was Ruth S. Howard. Two children (Kibbee).

Reference: Owen, Descendants of John Owen of Windsor, Connecticut.

68. (Roger$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Roger Viets, son of Luke and Keziah (Phelps) Viets, was born at Newgate October 28, 1791, studied medicine and was for some years a practicing physician in Albany, New York. He married in 1818 Maria Hollenbeck, born November 8, 1800. [DAR application #131609 of Edith Hart Sawyer.] Mrs. Viets died in Albany July 3, 1831. [Foley, Early Settlers of NY State.] Dr. Viets later moved to Lewiston, Fulton County, Illinois. He married second Mary E.

Allen, born about 1802 in Maryland; she appears as the head of the household in the 1850 census in Fulton County. He died March 17, 1848. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] He may have died of cholera in the epidemic in Fulton County in 1848-1849.

From Fulton County Historical Society, Historic Fulton County:

Liverpool Village

Liverpool is the largest of Fulton County's twenty-six townships. The town from which the township takes its name was founded on August 13, 1836 by R. E. Little, William Elliott, Joseph Sharpe, Theo Tarleton, E. D. Rice, and Roger Veits [sic].

Children:

187. i. Charlotte, born September 4, 1819.
ii. Luke, a pilot on the Illinois River, born ca 1823 in Illinois [?]. [1850 census, St. Louis, Missouri.]
iii. John, born 1826.
iv. James, born 1829. He was listed as a law student in the 1850 census in the household of Mary C. Viets, his stepmother.

The sons of Dr. Roger, with their sister Charlotte, are said to have owned a 160-acre farm in Illinois which was sold after Charlotte's death.

69. (Chloe$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Chloe Viets, daughter of Luke and Keziah (Phelps) Viets, was born May 9, 1793 at Newgate; married September 11, 1811 Reuben Barker Jr. and died February 4, 1855. Reuben Barker was the son of Reuben and Sarah (Holcomb) Barker of Granby. They lived at the old homestead near Newgate. They later were divorced, possibly only the second divorce in Turkey Hills. [Stringman and Guinan, East Granby - the Evolution of a Connecticut Town.] He died April 23, 1862. Children:

i. Lucy Barker, born 1813; married Lester Griffin, October 30, 1844. She died February 21, 1876. Two children (Griffin).
ii. Charles Don Ferdinand Barker, born 1818; died March 8, 1824.
iii. Mary J. Barker, born March 30, 1828; married first Hiram Johnson of Westfield, Massachusetts, who died 1852, age twenty-eight years. Mrs Johnson afterwards married Dr. Charles N. Germaine, a practicing physician in Westfield. He died in 1882. Mrs. Germaine served as a nurse in the Civil War, and it is thought that Dr. Germaine was a surgeon in that war. One child (Johnson). Four children (Germaine).
iv. Benjamin Franklin Barker, died May 27, 1856, aged 28 years. He operated the Viets Tavern as B. F. Barker's Hotel until his death. Married. One daughter (Barker).

## FIFTH GENERATION

### 70. (Sophia[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Sophia Viets, daughter of Henry and Mary (Viets) Viets, of Becket, Massachusetts, was born May 11, 1796, in Becket; married in Ohio, Dr. Joseph Watts, a physician, born in England. They were living in Aurora Township, Portage County, Ohio, in 1830. [Reniger, Messenger Family in Portage and Geauga Counties, Ohio.] They later settled near Baraboo, Wisconsin, where Mrs. Watts died July 29, 1883, age eighty-seven years, having survived her husband many years. Children:

i. Joseph Watts, died near Baraboo. Thought to have been unmarried.
ii. Henry Watts, born July 30, 1825; died March 10, 1901; married first, _____; married second about 1851 Elvira Taylor, born September 10, 1827, in Dover, Ohio, and died January 15, 1887. A son, Worth, by first marriage, born May 14, 1847; died August 25, 1863, shortly after release from Jacksonville prison during the Civil War, a result of starvation in prison. One son, by second marriage (Watts).
iii. Nelson Watts, a physician, died in Chico, California. No children.
iv. Cyrus Watts, a lawyer, born December 28, 1831; was drowned in the Mississippi River at Lansing, Iowa, in February 1880. Said to have been unmarried.
v. Martha Watts, married a Mr. Mitchell and died in Baraboo. One daughter (Mitchell).
vi. Mary Watts, born in 1836 near Baraboo; married in 1861 Aaron Teel, born November 27, 1837 in Stockholm, New York, and died December 15, 1924. His wife died November 23, 1903. Five children (Teel).
vii. Americus Watts, a lawyer, lived and died in Ottawa, Ohio. No children.
viii. Jackson Watts, died young.

### 71. (Abial[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Abial Viets, daughter of Henry and Mary (Viets) Viets, was born December 9, 1798, in Becket, Massachusetts; married October 4, 1830, Samuel Williams, born April 9, 1801 in Middletown, a son of Jehiel and Martha (Spencer) Williams. He died in Bangor, Wisconsin, January 13, 1878. Mr. and Mrs. Williams removed from Massachusetts to Ohio in 1838, to Dodge County, Wisconsin, in 1846, and then to Sauk County, Wisconsin, in 1854 where Mrs. Williams died July 10, 1884. Children:

i. George W. Williams, born Otis, Massachusetts, May 8, 1833; died in Indiana in 1875. He married first, Lavinia Hoover, and second, Elizabeth Slocum. Seven children (Williams).

ii. Mary F. Williams, born December 5, 1835 in Otis, Massachusetts; married March 30, 1864, David J. Jenkins, born March 12, 1829, in Cardiganshire, Wales; came to America in 1852; died October 31, 1871. Mrs. Jenkins died in Wisconsin at the age of 92 years. No children.

iii. Hester A. Williams, born January 27, 1842 in Troy, Ohio; died 1849.

## 72. (Mary[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Mary Viets, daughter of Henry and Mary (Viets) Viets, was born in Becket, Massachusetts, August 13, 1802 and died in Streetsboro, Ohio, October 23, 1878. She married Michael Stewart, who died in 1862. His parents settled in Streetsboro in 1828. Mr. Stewart was one of the early postmasters in Streetsboro. Their house contained a large second floor ballroom where frequent dances were held. [Portage Heritage, FHF#1033821.]

From Wickham, Memorial to the Pioneer Women of the Western Reserve:

> Her [Mary (Viets) Stewart's] parents came from Becket, Mass., and settled in Aurora, where she was married and lived until her oldest son William, now Lawyer Stuart [sic] of Ravenna, was born. When he was yet a babe they came to this place [Streetsboro], she on horseback, carrying her child; and all the road through what is now a beautiful country, with well kept farms, was then only marked by blazed trees.

Children:

i. William or Michael Stewart, born in Aurora, Ohio. He was a lawyer in Ravenna, Ohio.

ii. Mary Stewart, born in 1832 in Streetsboro; married Charles Kilbourne after 1860. She was a school teacher.

iii. Charles Stewart, born February 4, 1833 in Streetsboro; married Mary J. Gallagher after 1860.

iv. Jane M. (Jennie) Stewart, born in 1842 in Streetsboro; married _____ Snyder.

Reference: Reniger, Messenger Family in Portage and Geauga Counties, Ohio.

## 73. (Henry[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Henry Viets, son of Henry and his second wife, Charlotte (Fowler) Viets, was born August 31, 1808 in Becket, Massachusetts. He married first, on September 27, 1831 Sarah Boies, only child of David and Clarissa (Lewis) Boies of Blandford, Massachusetts, born December 27, 1811 and died in Huntington, Loraine County, Ohio, November 27, 1844. [This family is also known as "Boise".] He married second, September 29, 1845, Samantha Joslin of Michigan, born in 1815 in New York state. She died July 14, 1898. Mr. Viets resided during the latter part of his life in Oberlin, Ohio, where he was a respected citizen. He died there February 28, 1894. Children, by first marriage:

i. Elizabeth, born November 5, 1836; died in Ohio City, Ohio, August 18, 1838.

188. ii. Henry Sheldon, born February 4, 1839.

iii. Edward (Edwin?) Goodwin, born May 22, 1842; died September 20, 1857 in Oberlin, Ohio.

189. iv. Sarah Elizabeth, born November 21, 1844.

By second marriage:

190. v. Helen Josephine, born July 24, 1846.

vi. Orlando, born in 1848 in Huntington, Ohio.

191. vii. Charlotte Jane, born July 1, 1853.

Reference: Boies and Wells, Descendants of David Boies of Blandford, Massachusetts.

## 74. (Charlotte[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Charlotte Viets, daughter of Henry and Charlotte (Fowler) Viets, was born July 10, 1810 in Becket, Massachusetts. She married in Becket May 26, 1830, Alfred Van Wyck of Poughkeepsie, New York. They moved to Clifton, Illinois, in 1863 and settled on a quarter section of land east of the railroad. Mrs. Van Wyck died September 12, 1880; her husband, January 13, 1892. Children:

i. John B. Van Wyck, born June 28, 1831 in New Palz, New York; married July 10, 1867, at Newberg, New Jersey, Mary C. Gorham, daughter of Walter H. and Laura (Hubbel) Gorham of Newburgh, New York. Two children (Van Wyck).

ii. Henry V. Van Wyck, born November 8, 1833; died 1837.

iii. William A. Van Wyck, born October 3, 1835; died 1837.

iv. Mary Van Wyck, born January 7, 1840; died 1890.

v. Charlotte Van Wyck, born March 23, 1842; married Lester Bartlett at Kent, Ohio, February 22, 1864; died in Washington, D.C., August 11, 1865. Mr. Bartlett died in 1888 in Atlantic City, New Jersey. One son (Bartlett).

vi. Susan Van Wyck, born March 29, 1854; died 1856.

## 75. (William Atwater[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

William Atwater Viets, son of Henry and Charlotte (Fowler) Viets, was born February 20, 1813 in Becket, Massachusetts. In 1830 he went to New York, staying five years as a clerk; then to Cleveland, Ohio, for three years, back again to New York where he went into business for himself until 1854. He was then in Chicago until he settled in Clifton, Illinois, in 1857. He married first, in New York, May 17, 1836 Mary Elizabeth Pennoyer, born July 21, 1816 in New York, daughter of Robert V. Pennoyer. She died in New York March 11, 1853. He married second, in Chicago, Mrs. Frances Newell Reeves, daughter of Leonard French. She was born in Boston February 20, 1823. Children, by first marriage:

192. i. Catherine Augusta, born July 26, 1841.
193. ii. Mary Punnett, born August 4, 1844.
iii. Charlotte, born December 17, 1849; died June 4, 1853.

By second marriage:

iv. Helen Cornell, born June 22, 1857 in Chicago; died in 1893.
v. William Henry, born November 1, 1864 in Clifton, Illinois; died March 17, 1879 from a gun accident.

Obituary, Clifton, Illinois, newspaper unknown

William A. Viets, the "Father of Clifton" is dead. He died in his home in Clifton February 21 [1905] at the age of ninety-two years and one day. His death brought sadness into the family circle and the community in general.

William A. Viets was born in Becket, Massachusetts. He was one of the earliest settlers here and from the first was most enthusiastic in founding a colony of Eastern people. He was of Puritan stock and in his long life of usefulness was foremost in every enterprise which in anyway promoted the interest of his adopted home. Mr. Viets came to this section in 1857 from New York where he was for many years, and secured the title to the land on which the village stands. He platted the land, named the place Clifton and began selling lots. He was the founder of the village and for nearly half a century figured most prominently in the development of Clifton. He set out beautiful rows of shade trees and the various parks which now command the admiration of everyone and gained for Clifton the name of "Park Village" he sat out at his own expense. As long as this generation lives all who admire the beautiful in Nature will thank the liberal soul who thus bestowed a public pleasure.

Among other good things which Mr. Viets gave attention to was the making of good roads leading toward Clifton, and the establishment of post routes. He was also an active spirit in the establishment of schools and churches. For many years he served as a justice and always bore the reputation of being a judicious and conscientious administrator of the law. Until the last he took a deep interest in the welfare of the community and kept in close touch with the social, religious and industrial life of the village.

In politics Mr. Viets was a Republican. He cast his first vote for William Henry Harrison. He had the distinction of having voted for eighteen presidential nominees. In 1856 he married Frances French of Boston, who died in 1880. The youngest daughter, Miss Helen died in 1893.

The remains of the venerable "Father of Clifton" are today laid to rest in the village cemetery which he laid out.

References: Beckwith, History of Iroquois County, Illinois, and Clifton Centennial 1857-1957.

76. (Margaret$^5$, Henry$^4$, Henry$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Margaret Viets, daughter of Henry and Charlotte (Fowler) Viets, was born January 1, 1816 in Becket, Massachusetts. She married there December 17, 1834 William Slosson, born December 21, 1806, in Poughkeepsie, New York, son of William and Catherine Alice (Schenck) Slosson. Mrs. Slosson died in Kent, Connecticut, July 9, 1849. Mr. Slosson was badly scalded on the knee in a collision on the Housatonic Railway near Bridgeport, from which he never fully recovered. He died March 8, 1868. Children, born in Kent:

i. Catherine Alice Slosson, born January 1836; died in May 1871 in Burlington, Vermont.
ii. Henry Viets Slosson, born December 17, 1837; served throughout the Civil War in the 15th New York Engineers, Colonel J. McLeod Murphy, as lieutenant, captain, and major. He married December 6, 1865, Alice Vanderwater of New York. One son (Slosson).
iii. Nathan Slosson, born June 24, 1840; died September 17, 1848.
iv. John Slosson, born January 9, 1844; married January 25, 1866 Anna Tomlinson Banks, born March 15, 1845 in Danbury, daughter of William H. and A. C. (Curtis) Banks. They resided on the homestead of his father in Kent. Two children (Slosson).
v. Nathan Slosson, born July 8, 1849. No further record.

77. (Jane$^5$, Henry$^4$, Henry$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Jane Viets, daughter of Henry and Charlotte (Fowler) Viets, was born September 2, 1821 in Becket, Massachusetts. She married October 2, 1844 at Fishkill, New York, John Spooner. [New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, Volume 70.] She died in 1891 and was buried in North Kent, Connecticut. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] No children.

78. (Chauncey$^5$, David$^4$, David$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Chauncey Viets, son of David Jr. and Lucretia (Rice) Viets, was born November 25, 1798 in Colebrook; married Clarissa Chapin, born 1791 in Connecticut and died in Shalersville, Ohio, in 1876. Chauncey Viets went to Ohio in 1825 with his brothers and two sisters, arriving there June 12. They went with an ox team and one horse to Albany, New York, thence by canal to Lockport, New York, and by wagon the rest of the way. After living for some years in Shalersville, Chauncey went to Missouri, took up land and was preparing a home there when he died. Children:

i. Almira, born 1822 in Connecticut; died 1839 in Shalersville.
194. ii. Elizabeth "Betsey," born November 23, 1823.
195. iii. Calvin, born March 24, 1826.

196. iv. Clarissa, born 1830.
197. v. Miles, born October 28, 1828.

79. (Fanny[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Fanny Viets, daughter of David Jr. and Lucretia (Rice) Viets, was born September 8, 1800 in Colebrook; married January 15, 1823 in Colebrook, Ebenezer Cannon. They moved from Connecticut to Shalersville, Ohio, in 1824. Mrs. Cannon died in 1886. Both she and her husband are buried in East Farmington, Ohio. Children:

i. Henry Cannon, born February 9, 1824, in Colebrook; married Mary Osborn, who is thought to have been born in Southington, Ohio. Mr. Cannon died December 23, 1864; his widow died January 19, 1913 at the age of 84 years. Both are buried in Southington.
ii. George Cannon, born September 30, 1826 in Ohio; died unmarried.
iii. Mary Cannon, born January 8, 1832 in Ohio; married Cornelius Wilson who died March 5, 1865, age thirty-seven. His widow is thought to have married a Mr. McDonald. She died September 2, 1894.
iv. Lury A. Cannon, born December 2, 1836 in Shalersville; married in Farmington, Ohio, March 6, 1859 Abraham Spitler, born May 4 1838 in Bristol, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Spitler moved to New Haven, Michigan, in 1873. Mr. Spitler died there January 22, 1912; his widow, November 25, 1917. Three children (Spitler).
v. Julia Sylvina Cannon, born November 24, 1838 in Shalersville, Ohio; married September 20, 1866 in Bristol, Ohio, Thomas Ryan, born April 24, 1842, in Shenandoah County, Virginia; died in New Haven, Michigan, May 1, 1921. Mrs. Ryan died there on June 2, 1931. Four children (Ryan).
vi. David E. Cannon, born December 28, 1843 in Farmington; married July 3, 1866 in North Bloomfield, Ohio, Anne E. Preston, born August 10, 1848, in Orwell, Ohio. She died in Cleveland January 22, 1911; Mr. Cannon died in Bristol, Ohio, March 26, 1895. Five children (Cannon).

80. (Laura[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Laura Viets, daughter of David Jr. and Lucretia (Rice) Viets, was born November 24, 1803 in Colebrook and died August 24, 1838. She married _____ Smith and may have lived in Ohio or Michigan. Two sons are thought to have lived in Michigan. There may have been other children. Children:

i. Joseph Smith.
ii. Isaac Smith.

81. (Ira[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Ira Viets, son of David Jr. and Lucretia (Rice) Viets, was born September 5, 1807 in Colebrook; went to Ohio in 1825 with his brothers, Chauncey and Henry, and two sisters. He married first, March 3, 1829 in Trumbull County, Ohio, Damaris Hurd, born probably in Southington, Ohio, daughter of Smith and Polly (Culp) Hurd. She died August 19, 1841, age thirty-four. Mr. Viets married second, November 4, 1842, Diana Hurd, a sister of his first wife. She died January 19, 1900 age seventy-six. Ira Viets died December 20, 1889 in Southington. Children, by first marriage, born in Southington:

198. i. James, born June 5, 1832.
199. ii. Jerusha Orinda, born January 28, 1834.
200. iii. Rosanna, born October 10, 1837.
201. iv. Almira, born June 5, 1840.

By second marriage, also born in Southington:

202. v. Alvin J., born March 26, 1847.

82. (Lucretia[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Lucretia Viets, daughter of David Jr. and Lucretia (Rice) Viets, was born April 11, 1810 in Colebrook. She married in the winter of 1828, Isaac Hurd, who came to Southington, Ohio, from Colebrook when four years of age with his parents, Seth and Thankful (Ray) Hurd. His father was a Revolutionary soldier. Lucretia Hurd died March 10, 1865 in Southington.

From Wickham, Memorial to the Pioneer Women of the Western Reserve:

> . . . [Isaac and Lucretia] expected to remain with his parents until spring, but the mother-in-law said "When bees swarm they must take another hive." Mrs. Hurd, nothing daunted, went into the woods and gathered moss in her apron to stop crevices in the log house, which her young husband with the assistance of neighbors, had roughly put together. She lived to own one of the best homes in the township. It was also the home of all the Methodist ministers in this section of the country. Many arise and call her blessed. I heard one who knew her well say, "Her pantry was never bare; her larder never empty."

Children, born in Southington, but perhaps not in order of birth:

i. Edwin Hurd, born March 2, 1829; died March 13, 1831.
ii. Lusina Hurd, born September 15, 1831; died March 15, 1833.
iii. William Hurd, born ca 1832.
iv. Jason Hurd, born in 1834 and died June 19, 1887. He married Anna Marie Miller, born in Braceville, Ohio, daughter of Charles and Ruby Miller. She died October 19, 1922. One daughter (Hurd).

v. Nancy Hurd, born ca 1840; married Charles Haughton, a son of Samuel and Amanda (Osborn?) Haughton. They lived in Michigan. Five children (Haughton).

vi. Grandison Hurd, born about 1842; married Mary Humphrey; lived in Michigan. Four children (Hurd).

vii. Franklin Hurd, born November 10, 1844 in Southington; married November 26, 1865 Mary Elizabeth Hess, born November 28, 1844 in Bristol, Ohio, a daughter of Isaac and Lettie (Dunlap) Hess. Mr. Hurd died in Florida March 9, 1934. Mrs. Hurd, at the age of 94, had a remarkable memory and was in comfortable health, a young-looking woman for her age. She returned to her home in Southington from her winter home in Florida on May 4, 1941 and died May 29 of that year. Five children (Hurd).

viii. Henry Hurd, died March 17, 1865, at age twelve.

83. (Henry$^5$, David$^4$, David$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Henry Viets, son of David Jr. and Lucretia (Rice) Viets, was born October 24, 1813 in Colebrook. He married in 1837, Betsey Tinker, born August 23, 1815 in Vernon, New York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Tinker. She died July 15, 1883; her husband died November 10, 1904. [Note: These dates of births and deaths are copied from the Viets' monument in Hillside Cemetery in Shalersville, Ohio.]

From Wickham, Memorial to the Pioneer Women of the Western Reserve:

> Betsey Tinker came with her parents to Mantua Township, Ohio, where she was married in a log house to Henry Viets of Shalersville, Ohio. She had a family of nine children--six boys and three girls. Many of the younger people of the town have warm recollections of "Aunt Betsey" as she was familiarly called. She was famous for the products of her dairy and her butter was in great demand.

Children, born in Shalersville:

203. i. Harriet Eliza, born May 8, 1838.

ii. Elliot Lee, born October 12, 1839; died in Hospital No. 1, Chattanooga, Tennessee, August 28, 1864. Enlisted 1861; discharged August 28, 1864, Battery A, 1st OVLA. [Grave Registrations of Soldiers Buried in Ohio, FHF#0182786.]

204. iii. William A., born September 21, 1842.

iv. Lewis A., born September 9, 1844; died September 18, 1864 in Shalersville.

205. v. Newton Eugene, born July 20, 1846.

206. vi. Egbert H., born April 24, 1849.

207. vii. Truman E., born January 14, 1851.

208. viii. Lucile Almira, born February 28, 1853.

209. ix. Edith L., born August 7, 1856.

84. (Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Zopher Viets, son of Luke and Hannah (Norton) Viets, was born December 14, 1810 (according to the inscription on his gravestone) in Southington, Ohio. He married first, in April 1830 Lydia Curtis, born August 16, 1813 in Farmington, Ohio. She died November 1, 1880. He married second, August 27, 1881 Mrs. Eunice (Norton) Heathman; she died July 6, 1887. He married third, October 9, 1888 Charlotte Hoskins, born October 8, 1830 in Wolcottsville, Connecticut. She died February 17, 1891. [Trumbull County, Ohio, Death Records, FHF#0904251. Birth dates for wives calculated from dates of death.] Zopher Viets died December 17, 1889 in Southington and was buried in Center Cemetery. Children, by first marriage, born in Southington:

i. Mary, born in 1832; died March 13, 1843.
210. ii. Russell, born January 19, 1833.
211. iii. Harriet, born October 13, 1835.
212. iv. Rebecca, born December 11, 1838.
v. Aurilla, born in 1841; died December 1, 1848.
213. vi. Henry, born May 22, 1843.

85. (Margaret Maria[5], Benjamin[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Margaret Maria Viets, daughter of Benjamin and Sally (Donaldson) Viets, was born January 31, 1810 in Southington, Ohio; married there in 1833 Albert Miles, born January 22, 1812 in Camster, Alleghany County, New York, son of Thomas and Sally (Seger) Miles. According to H. Isabel Viets, Margaret Maria Miles went to Becket, Massachusetts, where she died April 23, 1858. [Archive sheet, Mormon church, says she died 20 October 1854 in Big Cottonwood, Summit County, Utah.] Mr. Miles joined the Mormon church in Illinois, and afterwards removed to Utah where he married again. He died in Glendale, Franklin County, Idaho, on May 12, 1886. Children:

i. Henry Albert Miles, born December 1833 in Parkman, Geauga County, Ohio; died ca 1834.
ii. Benjamin Adrian Miles, born December 3, 1835 in Parkman; married in 1856, Rachel Mahulda Lockhart, born February 24, 1836 in Monroe County, Mississippi(?), daughter of John and Margaret Lockhart. The family lived in Peoa, Utah, where Mr. Miles died December 5, 1888. Twelve children (Miles).
iii. Edwin Ruthven Miles, born May 25, 1838 in Parkman; married March 11 1857 Jane Ruth Wakefield. He died April 2, 1912.
iv. Franklin Miles, born December 10, 1841 in Adams, Adams County, Illinois; died December 26, 1850.
v. Sally Ann Miles, born April 6, 1843 in Adams; married in 1859 Orrin Strong Lee. Resided in Utah.
vi. Maria Louise Miles, born September 18, 1849 in Salt Lake City, Utah; died in 1851.

A portion of this Miles record given by Mrs. Roy Peterson of Heber, Utah, a

great-granddaughter of Margaret Maria (Viets) Miles. Some data taken from archive sheet in the family history library of the Mormon Church in Salt Lake City.

86. (Sally[5], Benjamin[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Sally Viets, daughter of Benjamin and Sally (Donaldson) Viets, was born January 2, 1813 in Southington, Trumbull County, Ohio. [Date of birth calculated from date of death and age at time of death. Her gravestone gives 1812 as her year of birth.] She married November 7, 1832 Thomas E. Hall [Winnagle, Early Marriages of Trumbull County, Ohio], born in 1811 in Massachusetts. They lived in Farmington, Trumbull County, Ohio. Mr. Hall died in 1871, and Mrs. Hall died June 20, 1884. [Ohio, Trumbull County, Deaths, FHF#0904251.] Children, probably born in Farmington, Ohio:

i. Mary Hall, born ca 1834. "Mary E. Hall, wife of John Winans, born 1834, died 1860" is inscribed on Thomas Hall stone.
ii. Wallace W. Hall, born ca 1835/37.
iii. Harriet Hall, born ca 1839.
iv. Sarah Hall, born ca 1841.
v. Wesley M. Hall, born April 10, 1842; died December 20, 1891. He married Lucy A. _____, born April 29, 1851; died November 2, 1927. Mr. Hall served in the Civil War. One known son, died age six (Hall).
vi. Thomas F. Hall, born 1843. Served in Co. D, 6th Reg. OVC in the Civil War. His death date on his gravestone, May 10, 1862, would indicate he may have died in the war.
vii. C. H. Hall, born ca 1846.
viii. Helen Elvaretta Hall, born ca 1848.
ix. Frances M. Hall, born ca 1852. She married at age 17 Theodore M. Haas on November 8, 1869 in Farmington Township. [Ohio, Trumbull County, Marriages, FHF#0904257.]

References: Census, Trumbull County, Ohio: 1850-1880; Trumbull County, Ohio, Cemetery Inscriptions 1800-1930.

87. (Caroline[5], Jonathan M., Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Caroline Viets, daughter of Jonathan Munsell and Fanny (Remington) Viets, was born in West Suffield, April 29, 1815, and died there January 1, 1893, in the old home inherited from her father. She married on December 18, 1844, Andrew Clark, born in Hartland, and died in West Suffield, July 26, 1899. Mrs. Clark was a communicant of the Baptist Church in Suffield of which her father was a deacon. Children, born in West Suffield:

i. Almira Caroline Clark, born November 25, 1848; died in 1925, unmarried.
ii. Albert Munsell Clark, born July 26, 1851; died May 10, 1886; married December 9, 1873, Anna Eliza Beaman. One daughter (Clark).

iii. Mary Viets Clark, born October 22, 1853; died April 29, 1854.
iv. Willett Boardman Clark, born February 23, 1856; married September 23, 1876, Clara E. Easton, born August 21, 1859, daughter of Ezekiel and Susan (Boyington) Hovey and adopted by Amos Easton. She died in the 1940s; Mr. Clark died June 26, 1940. They resided on the old place in West Suffield. One son (Clark).

88. (Henry Munsell[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Henry Munsell Viets, son of Jonathan Munsell and Fanny (Remington) Viets, was born October 22, 1816 in West Suffield. He married first, on May 15, 1839, Esther Griffin, born May 12, 1818 and died March 1, 1844. He married second, in Southwick, Massachusetts [Southwick Baptist Church records], on February 15, 1845, Jane Cook, born April 10, 1821 in Otis, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Dorcas (Case) Cook. They removed from West Suffield to Henrietta, Ohio, to North Ridgefield, Ohio, in 1860, and to Albion, Ashland County, Ohio, in 1873. Mrs. Viets died August 9, 1881 and Mr. Viets January 10, 1896. Both are buried in Mound Hill Cemetery, Seville, Ohio. [Tombstone Inscriptions from the Cemeteries of Medina County, Ohio.] Mr. Viets was a successful, enterprising farmer and extensively engaged in the manufacture of cheese in Lorain and Ashland Counties, Ohio. Children, by second marriage:

214. i. Sarah J., born November 28, 1845.
ii. Martha O., born May 17, 1848; died May 10, 1850.
215. iii. Martin H., born September 12, 1849.
iv. Abbie F., born December 24, 1851; died January 13, 1866.
216. v. Mary E., born October 12, 1854.
217. vi. Maria A., born May 25, 1856.
vii. George Willett, born October 23, 1861 in Ohio; died August 30, 1864.

89. (Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Ezekiel Viets, son of Jonathan Munsell and Fanny (Remington) Viets, was born in West Suffield, March 30, 1818; married October 9, 1842, Catherine Charity Warner, born February 20, 1823 and died July 1884. Mr. Viets moved to Ohio in 1849. They resided in Avon. He died April 21, 1897.

From "Autobiography of Jonathan Munsell Viets," [son of Ezekiel], Early Vital Records of Ohio, Vol. 2, Ohio State Library:

> . . . our folks reached Henrietta Hill, Lorain County, Ohio, eleven miles west of Elyria, some time in November, 1849. Our folks stayed for some days in the home of father's brother Henry, who lived in a log house. After our goods arrived by boat at Vermillion, father moved into a log house belonging to his uncle Chauncey Remington. There was a big stone fireplace in one end of the house and all of the cooking had to be done by the heat from that fire. An iron crane hung over the fire to hang pots and kettles from, and the baking was done in a tin oven set in front of the fire. What was called a Dutch oven was built out of stone

on one side of the fireplace; put a fire inside of it until it was well heated then draw out the fire and put in the baking. Mother used that oven once in a while.

Children:

218. i. Jonathan Munsell, born September 15, 1843.
ii. Bushnell, born November 9, 1845; he served in the Civil War as Private, Co. H, 1st OA. [Pension record filed by father in Ohio, FHF#0541245.] He died April 24, 1873, in Kansas and was buried in Avon Center Cemetery, Lorain County, Ohio.
219. iii. Chauncey Hastings, born June 29, 1848.
iv. Eliza Catherine, born October 5, 1850; died June 11, 1898 unmarried.
220. v. Lydia Mary, born January 17, 1854.
221. vi. Charles Fremont, born September 23, 1856.

**90. (Fannie[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan, Henry[2], John[1])**

Fannie Viets, daughter of Jonathan Munsell and Fanny (Remington) Viets, was born September 11, 1821, at the old home in West Suffield. She married January 12, 1842 Chauncey Owen, born August 12, 1815 in Granby, a son of Oliver and Charlotte (Gillett) Owen. They moved to West Mecca, Ohio, after 1850. Mr. Owen died April 9, 1906; his widow died January 6, 1912. Children, born in Granby:

i. Sarah Bliss Owen, born September 27, 1842; married March 25, 1875 Clinton Irwin. No children.
ii. Marion Amelia Owen, born July 8, 1844; died in Henrietta, Ohio, October 5, 1861 of typhoid fever.
iii. Harriet Caroline Owen, born August 25, 1846; married January 14, 1867 George F. Pray. One child (Pray), died in infancy.
iv. Abbie Amanda Owen, born June 20, 1849; married July 29, 1866 George W. Wilbur, born June 7, 1943, son of John Watson and Lucinda (Chapman) Wilbur of Huntington Township, Lorain County, Ohio. Mr. Wilbur was a farmer in Hartland Township, Huron County, Ohio. He died at age eighty-two. Two children (Wilbur).

Reference: Owen, Descendants of John Owen of Windsor, Connecticut.

**91. (Sarah[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Sarah Viets, daughter of Jonathan Munsell and Fanny (Remington) Viets, was born in West Suffield, March 25, 1826; married February 7, 1844 [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314] Rev. Charles Willett, a Baptist clergyman. Mrs. Willett died July 18, 1845. Child:

i. Henry Bushnell Willett, born March 14, 1845 in Southwick, Massachusetts, died February 14, 1900. At the breaking out of the Civil War he was in Wisconsin and enlisted as a private

in Company E., 29th Wisconsin Infantry. Towards the close of the war he lost his right arm in the Red River Campaign under General Banks of Ohio ["Autobiography of Jonathan Munsell Viets," Early Vital Records of Ohio, Vol. 2, Ohio State Library]. He learned telegraphy and went to West Point in 1868 where he followed that occupation until his death. His wife died March 1896.

92. (Mary[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Mary Viets, daughter of Jonathan Munsell and Fanny (Remington) Viets, was born January 6, 1836 in West Suffield; married August 22, 1859 in Henrietta, Ohio, Lafayette Kniffin. [Lorain County, Ohio Marriages, 1824-1865.] He died March 15, 1869. His widow resided in Tacoma, Washington, and later in Eureka, California. She died July 18, 1907. Children:

i. Bertha L. Kniffin, born July 2, 1861, in Henrietta, Ohio; married February 18, 1891, C. L. Moore. Resided in Ellensburg, Washington.
ii. Willard M. Kniffin, born July 3, 1863; died July 18, 1876.
iii. Hattie M. Kniffin, born February 16, 1866 in Manchester, Iowa; married July 10, 1897 L. R. Lothrop. She died 1914. Resided in Eureka, California.
iv. Fannie J. Kniffin, born January 19, 1869, in Manchester, Iowa; married November 13, 1887, G. L. Haven. Resided in Ellensburg, Washington.

93. (James Hatheway[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

James Hatheway Viets, son of Festus and Maria (Hatheway) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, East Granby, August 21, 1824. From Granby records: "James H. Viets, age twenty-six, married Marilla Hayes, age twenty-three, both of Granby, on October 11, 1849." Marilla Hayes, born June 17, 1827, was a daughter of Dudley and Naomi (Rose) Hayes, of a family of that name who were among the first settlers of Windsor and Granby. Mr. Viets was a farmer and resided at the old homestead, which had been in the family for four generations. He served as first selectman for the town of East Granby, was a member of the legislature in 1862, and was a school visitor and justice of the peace. He died August 14, 1908 in East Granby; his widow died there June 25, 1912. Both are buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. Children:

i. Adelaide, born January 8, 1851; died young.
222. ii. James Duane, born February 20, 1853.
iii. Ella M., born December 11, 1854; died April 27, 1856.
iv. Horace, born December 22, 1862; died October 7, 1942 in Hartford, unmarried.
v. Nora Belle, born June 7, 1865; died October 13, 1885.
223. vi. Samuel David, born February 19, 1868.

Reference: Hayes, George Hayes of Windsor and His Descendants.

94. (Harriet Maria[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Harriet Maria Viets, daughter of Festus and Maria (Hatheway) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, Granby, September 3, 1826; married on October 21, 1847 [VR, Granby] Henry Griffin of Granby, born 1823. Mr. Griffin died in 1860 and his widow in 1871. Both are buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. Children:

i. Henry Eugene Griffin, born April 4, 1849; married first, in June 1870 Emma Owen, who died in May 1875; he married second, on August 9, 1882 Capitola Griffin who died April 10, 1884 in Michigan City, Indiana.
ii. Larena Harriet Griffin, born March 4, 1854 in Granby; married October 15, 1879 Hinman A. Dibble, born February 14, 1843 in Granby and died May 14, 1906. Mrs. Dibble died February 13, 1908. They resided in Hartford.
iii. Frank Wilbur Griffin, born July 15, 1857; resided in Galesburg, Illinois. He died July 1933.

95. (Candace Eliza[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Candace Eliza Viets, daughter of Festus and Maria (Hatheway) Viets, was born August 2, 1828 at Copper Hill, East Granby; married first, on April 20, 1848 William Lorenzo Hayes of West Granby, born July 31, 1825, son of Dudley and Naomi (Rose) Hayes. He died March 28, 1849. She married second Linus N. Hayes, born April 30, 1821, brother of William L. He died January 6, 1886; Mrs. Hayes died June 5, 1903. They resided in West Granby. Children, by first marriage:

i. William Lorenzo Hayes Jr., born December 1, 1849 in West Granby; married March 26, 1875 Ida May Emmons, born June 1, 1854 in East Hartland, daughter of Warren and Altimona (Emmons) Emmons. She died March 6, 1912; Mr. Hayes died October 26, 1919 in East Hartland. Six children (Hayes).

By second marriage:

ii. Frank P. Hayes, born January 7, 1852 in West Granby; married May 16, 1875, Emma J. Case, born March 16, 1856 in West Granby and died March 10, 1936. Mr. Hayes died May 14, 1889. One daughter (Hayes).
iii. Alfred L. Hayes, born September 7, 1856; married August 5, 1882 Lenora E. Gutierrez. He died March 21, 1901. One son (Hayes) died in 1891.
iv. Edward M. Hayes, born March 4, 1860; died February 1, 1865.
v. Lizzie M. Hayes, born April 10, 1861; died April 28, 1861.
vi. Henry J. Hayes, born October 15, 1862, in West Granby; married March 28, 1888 Elnora M. Wilcox, born May 16, 1863 in West Granby, a daughter of Augustus and Marinia (Holcombe) Wilcox. She died September 24, 1941 in West Granby. Mr. Hayes received

the prize as the oldest male and also as the oldest person present at the Viets reunion in 1948. One daughter (Hayes).

vii. Burton E. Hayes, born December 29, 1868 in West Granby; married first, Jessie M. Weed, daughter of Henry M. and Charlotte Weed. She died April 25, 1900. He married second Martha Morrison. Mr. Hayes was formerly a resident of West Hartford but lived in East Hartford 37 years. He died in Hartford April 22, 1946. Two daughters (Hayes).

Reference: Hayes, George Hayes of Windsor and His Descendants.

96. (Philo Horace[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Philo Horace Viets, son of Festus and Maria (Hatheway), born at Copper Hill, East Granby, August 12, 1830; resided in Granby until 1870 when he removed to Hartford; two years later removed to Derby, Connecticut, where he was engaged most of the time in the hardware business with Hallock Bros. He married first, Almira W. Clark, April 11, 1855. She was born May 5, 1834 and died March 25, 1863. He married second, Susan Camp of Derby, April 20, 1865. [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314.] She was born November 27, 1831 and died September 5, 1876. He married third, October 29, 1883 Ann Augusta Hallock, daughter of Zephaniah and Sarah (Hall) Hallock. She was born in Derby July 4, 1835 and died January 2, 1910. [Connecticut Bible and Family Records, FHF#0002882.] Mr. Viets died in Derby in 1906. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children, by first marriage:

i. Arthur L., born May 10, 1856; died November 22, 1857.
224. ii. Stanley W., born February 28, 1859.
iii. Albert D., born March 18, 1863; died January 22, 1865.

By second marriage:

iv. Alice Susan, born May 5, 1871; died August 4, 1871.

97. (Lamira Jane[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Lamira Jane Viets, daughter of Festus and Maria (Hatheway) Viets, was born January 27, 1835; married November 24, 1853 Willis Lester Hayes, born in West Granby May 26, 1830, son of Dudley and Naomi (Rose) Hayes. He was a member of the Connecticut legislature. [Hayes, George Hayes of Windsor and His Descendants.] He died October 26, 1886 age fifty-six. They resided in East Granby and Granby. Mrs. Hayes died February 18, 1917. She was buried in Granby Cemetery. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children:

i. Charles Willis Hayes, born November 29, 1854; married Mollie Meadows January 2, 1888. Mr. Hayes died December 14, 1925. No children.
ii. Emogene Cornelia Hayes, born November 4, 1856; married Carl A. Green November 13, 1879. He was born in Agawam, Massachusetts, November 27, 1856, son of Aaron Charles and Elizabeth (Allen)

Green. Mr. Green was a tobacco grower and horse dealer. He represented Granby in the General Assembly in 1893. Mr. and Mrs. Green observed their sixtieth wedding anniversary in November 1939. Mr. Green died in Granby February 27, 1940. Mrs. Green died there June 1, 1942. Seven children (Green).

iii. James Viets Hayes, born October 13, 1869; died January 3, 1885.

98. (William Dixon[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

William Dixon Viets, son of Festus and Maria (Hatheway) Viets, was born May 17, 1842 in Granby; married February 15, 1872 Jennie M. Griffin of West Suffield, born March 15, 1849 and died November 20, 1882. They resided at Copper Hill, where Mr. Viets was postmaster from 1878 to 1903 when the post office was discontinued. He died March 11, 1911 at East Granby. They, as well as their three children, are buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. Children:

i. Sherman L., born May 29, 1873; died December 2, 1877.
ii. Hattie M., born June 28, 1875; died December 10, 1877.
iii. William L., born November 2, 1878; died April 28, 1909 in Hartford.

99. (Jason Rushmore[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Jason Rushmore Viets, son of Festus and Maria (Hatheway) Viets, was born January 17, 1846 in Granby; married first, on December 9, 1867 Rhoda Phelps, born in 1847, daughter of Captain Apollos and Rhoda (Griffin) Phelps. She died September 14, 1874. He married second, October 30, 1876 at Windsor Locks [Copper Hill Methodist Episcopal Church records, FHF#0004196] Wilhelmina M. Grohman, born January 6, 1854 in Hartford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Grohman. Mr. Viets and his family resided in East Granby where he was a farmer. He served his town as a representative in the Legislature of 1888. He died July 21, 1928 age eighty-two; his widow died July 2, 1936 age eighty-two. The family is buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. Children, by first marriage, born in East Granby:

225. i. Adella M., born March 7, 1869.

By second marriage:

226. ii. Jason Edward, born December 25, 1877.
iii. Lena Mae, born September 25, 1883; died July 31, 1900.
iv. Peter Grohman, born December 6, 1898; died August 20, 1915. He was graduated from Simsbury High School in 1914. His death followed an acute attack of appendicitis. The funeral was held from the Congregational Church in East Granby in charge of Rev. C. W. Hanna, assisted by Professor Childs of the Simsbury High School and the Rev. J. B. McLean of Simsbury. Burial was in the Copper Hill Cemetery. Peter Grohman was the youngest Viets at the first reunion of the Viets family in 1899.

100. (Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1].)

"Hezekiah Viets was probably a son of Hezekiah Phelps Viets from the fact that he bore the same name, and was born about 1780 when the latter was 21 years of age, but there is no positive proof of his descent. He was an errand boy in a hotel in Philadelphia when twelve years old, and sold books on commission in Philadelphia. Nothing is known of him previous to this time. Among his papers are found notes given to H.V., bearing date 1797. Letters were written him from Reading, Pa., in 1802 from some of his associates. [These papers are in the estate left by J. Blaine Wellmeier, a great great grandson of Hezekiah Viets, Dayton, Ohio, in 1988.] He was for a time in New Orleans, and later in Cuba and St. Domingo, where it seems that he was sent for his health. Again letters were written him in Philadelphia congratulating him on his safe return. He is next found in Cincinnati in 1802, doing business for a man by the name of Barnes, from whom he received goods up to 1813.

"In 1816 he brought a store to Fort Jefferson, Darke County, Ohio, where he laid out the town, and lived the reminder of his life. He entered several tracts of land at Fort Jefferson, opened up a farm, and built a sawmill, which furnished all the lumber that was used for building purposes for miles around.

"About 1839 he was attacked by rheumatism, which incapacitated him for his usual work. In 1845 he took a notion to peddle, and followed this until his death, which occurred July 3, 1850, at Parkersburg, Va.

"These interesting facts were furnished by John Wesley Viets, a son of Hezekiah, now living at Fort Jefferson. It may be added that a nephew of John Wesley Viets, living in another part of Ohio, speaks of his grandfather Hezekiah as having gone from Vermont and settled at Fort Jefferson. Hezekiah Viets married and raised a family at Fort Jefferson."--FHV.

Hezekiah's son, John Wesley Viets, in a speech at the dedication of an obelisk in Fort Jefferson October 24, 1907, states that he has a license certifying that Hezekiah Viets has the privilege of bringing a store to and selling goods in Fort Jefferson. [Garst Museum, Greenville, Ohio.]

From Wilson, Fort Jefferson, the Frontier Post of the Upper Miami Valley:

> . . . On Sept. 23, 1818, Hezekiah Viets laid off a town plat of fifty-eight lots, with two main streets running north and south, and three cross streets, including the site of the fort in the southwest corner of the village plat. As the fort site was not built in early days the boys of the village appropriated it for a commons and playground, dubbing it the Old War Ground. Here they picked up such relics as a flintlock, a bayonet, musket barrel, tomahawk, scalping-knife, six-ounce lead bullets and fragments of bombshells.

Hezekiah married first, Peninah Chapman and second, Hulda Ludington on December 14, 1828 in Darke County, Ohio. He supposedly died in Parkersburg, Virginia [now West Virginia], on July 3, 1850. His widow married September

24, 1857 John Young. She died September 25, 1861, and Mr. Young died February 24, 1862. Both are buried in Pioneer Cemetery, Fort Jefferson, Ohio. [Tombstones read by DVS, 1987.]

In this cemetery are also found tombstones for two infants presumably Hezekiah's, Henrietta and Henry, both dying between their first and second birthdays. The tombstones are almost identical and circumstances seems to indicate they were twins. However, the calculation from their ages at date of death indicates they were born five months apart. To further complicate the issue, Peninah's date of birth is given by H. Isabel Viets as the same year (1820). In 1842 Hezekiah and Hulda Viets donated land for the M.E. Church adjacent to the cemetery. [Short and Bower, Cemetery Inscriptions, Darke County, Ohio.] Children, by first marriage:

227. i. Peninah, born March 17, 1820.
ii. Henrietta, born 1820?; died August 16, 1821.
iii. Henry, born 1820?; died April 2, 1822.
228. iv. Andrew Jackson, born May 5, 1826.

By second marriage:

v. Hezekiah, born May 4, 1829; died August 6, 1833. [Tombstone, Pioneer Cemetery, Ft. Jefferson, Ohio.]
229. vi. William, born September 18, 1830.
230. vii. Charles, born June 10, 1832.
231. viii. John Wesley, born January 6, 1835.
232. ix. Elijah, born June 15, 1838.

Reference: Beers, History of Darke County, Ohio.

101. (Truman$^5$, Hezekiah P.$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$.)

Truman Viets, son of Hezekiah Phelps and Mary Viets, was born January 24, 1784 in Pownal, Vermont [Vermont VR, birth certificate]; married Elizabeth Jordan. They resided in Clarion County, Pennsylvania, but later removed to Houston County, Minnesota. On July 16, 1860 Truman Viets is listed as the grantor of property in Houston County but was living in Bad Axe [now Vernon] County, Wisconsin. Both he and his wife Elizabeth signed the deed. An Elizabeth "Veits" was listed in the Winona County, Minnesota, census in 1870. Both supposedly died in that county. Children, born in Pennsylvania:

i. Truman, died at age seventeen.
233. ii. Hezekiah Phelps II, born April 10, 1829.
iii. A daughter, died in infancy.

102. (Salmon$^5$, Hezekiah P.$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$.)

Salmon Viets, son of Hezekiah Phelps and Mary Viets, was born March 11, 1787, in Pownal, Vermont [Vermont VR, birth certificate]; married Mary Andrews, born January 12, 1781, daughter of Asahel Jr. and Phebe (Slater) Andrews of

Simsbury. [Andrews, Genealogical History of John and Mary Andrews.] Salmon Viets is thought to have died in the War of 1812. [Unable to find any mention of a Salmon Viets in War Records of 1812, 1834, or later. No mention made of such a person in Granby or Simsbury vital records.--HIV] Children:

i. Phebe. A Phebe "Veets" was admitted to fellowship in the First Congregational Church of Dalton, Massachusetts, September 22, 1833. [Dalton, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, VR, FHF#0234565.] This would add credibility that Elam [see iii below] is indeed the son of Salmon.

ii. Caroline. No further record.

234. iii. Elam, born about 1808. Note: I have tentatively placed Elam as a son of Salmon. The 1810 census of Connecticut lists Salmon Viets living in Simsbury with one male and one female child under the age of 10. Elam was known to have been born in Granby and to have lived in Dalton, Massachusetts. His son Henry's wife was from Dalton and Phebe, daughter of Salmon, was also known to have lived there. [See i above.] According to the Genealogy of the Andrew's Family, Salmon reportedly died in the War of 1812. The widow may have remarried and moved to Dalton, Massachusetts.--DVS

103. (Zopher$^5$, [Hezekiah P.$^4$?], John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$.)

[Note: I have tentatively listed Zopher as a son of Hezekiah Phelps Viets, born in Vermont, perhaps one of four males under 16 years of age listed with Hezekiah Phelps Viets in the 1790 census of Pownal, Vermont. Hezekiah Phelps was married to Martha Bronson by 1800. His first (second?) wife Mary possibly died in childbirth and Hezekiah Phelps may have taken the infant to his sister Elizabeth Colton to raise.--DVS]

Zopher Viets, parentage not documented, was born about 1789 or 1790; was raised by Eliakim and Elizabeth (Viets) Colton, and retained the name of Viets. He married May 12, 1810 Anna Colton, born March 12, 1789 in Granby, daughter of Lemuel and Achsa (Sheldon) Colton. [Archive sheet, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.] The family resided in North Granby. Mr. Viets died April 10, 1825, age thirty-five years. His widow died March 20, 1869, age eighty. Both are buried in Granby Cemetery. Children:

235. i. Lemuel Watson, born October 26, 1811.

ii. Lucy L., born April 5, 1815. (See iii.)

iii. Zopher II. From North Granby vital records: "An infant of Zopher Viets [Zopher Viets II?] died January 10, 1822. A child of Zopher Viets died July 7, 1816." The latter may have been Lucy.

104. (Harvey$^5$, Hezekiah P.$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$.)

Harvey Viets, son of Hezekiah Phelps and Martha (Bronson) Viets, was born about 1799 in either Connecticut or New York. His parents were living in Amenia, Dutchess County, New York, in 1803. The Viets Genealogy gives a

family of four children (Harvey, Chauncey, Ira and Belinda) whose father had not been identified. Since Chauncey was listed as the son of and administrator of Hezekiah Phelps Viets' estate in Sugarloaf Township, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and Ira and Harvey Viets were also known to have lived in the same township it would appear that the four children are the four youngest of Hezekiah Phelps Viets. Ira left descendants who yet live in this county. It should also be noted that Harvey named children Hezekiah and Belinda.

Harvey married Mary Kile, born November 1799 in Sugarloaf Township, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, daughter of John and Maria (Hess) Kile. The family moved to Dansville, Steuben County, New York, about 1822, on to Huron County, Ohio, then settled on a farm in Summerfield, Monroe County, Michigan, about 1835. Harvey died there April 10, 1872 and his wife August 24, 1878. Children:

236. i. Hezekiah, probably the eldest.
237. ii. Benjamin F., born January 19, 1822.
238. iii. Amanda, born June 3, 1823.
239. iv. Anna, born December 16, 1824.
240. v. John, born October 28, 1826.
241. vi. Maryetta, born ca 1828.
242. vii. Harrison, born May 19, 1831.
243. viii. Elizabeth, born ca 1833.
244. ix. George W., born April 1, 1834.
245. x. Belinda, born ca 1837.
246. xi. Sarah Ann, born July 26, 1840.

Reference: Schell, A Viets Genealogy.

105. (Chauncey$^5$, Hezekiah P.$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$.)

Chauncey Viets, son of Hezekiah Phelps and Martha (Bronson) Viets, was born about 1800 in New York. From the family Bible of his son Oliver, owned by his great-grandson, Truman Ott of Parma, Michigan: "Chauncey Viets and family came to Michigan in 1835 (?) from Sugarloaf, Columbia County, Pennsylvania." He is named as an early settler in Sheridan Township, Calhoun County, Michigan, in 1836. [History of Calhoun County, Michigan.] He married August 25, 1822, Emily Bartleson, born December 13, 1801 in Columbia County, Pennsylvania, daughter of Cephus and Ann Bartleson. [St. Gabriel's Church Records, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#1312860 item 17.] In 1830 Chauncey and family were listed in the census in Monroe County, New York. Mrs. Viets died September 9, 1840 in Calhoun County, Michigan. Chauncey Viets died April 29, 1858, in Albion, Michigan. [VR, Calhoun County, Michigan; tombstone inscriptions, Albion, Michigan, read by DVS, 1988.] Children:

247. i. Oliver Hazard Perry, born May 28, 1823.
ii. Cyrus, born December 16, 1824 in Columbia County, Pennsylvania; died in New Orleans January 9, 1852.
iii. Truman, born March 6, 1827. He was listed as a painter in Grass

Valley, El Dorado County, California in 1877. [Abstract of the Great Register, FHF#0977082.] He supposedly died in Elko, Nevada, date unknown.

248. iv. Ira Viets, born February 26, 1829.

v. Cephus Bard, born November 2, 1830. A "C. Vits," listed in the 1860 El Dorado County, California, census as a miner, may refer to him. He died before December 16, 1864. [Probate record for his father, Chauncey Viets, #1115, Calhoun County, Michigan.]

vi. Joseph, born November 2, 1832; died November 2, 1842.

249. vii. Maria, born April 10, 1838.

106. (Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1].)

Ira Viets, son of Hezekiah Phelps and Martha (Bronson) Viets, was born about 1802 probably in New York state. Little is known of him. In 1850 there were two "Veets" children listed in the census in Columbia County, Pennsylvania: Julia, living in the household of George and Sophia Dilts, and Clark, in the household of Joseph and Helen Hess. [1850 census, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, Sugarloaf Township.] In a deed from Ira Viets in 1834 the property he sold adjoined property of George Dilts. [Columbia County, Pennsylvania, land records, FHF#0961531.] This appears to be the same property that Hezekiah Phelps Viets purchased in 1822. Apparently Ira moved to Ohio before June 1834. Nothing further is known of Julia. The death certificate for Adam Clark Viets gives his birthplace as "Ohio" and lists his father as Ira Viets. [Bureau of Vital Statistics, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Certificate of Death, File No. 35732, No. 10058.]

A check of the histories of Summit County, Ohio, gave several references for Ira Viets, in connection with the reign of "Millerism" or "Second Adventism." In short, "Millerism" was a religious philosophy proposed by William Miller of Massachusetts. His proselytes started holding revival meetings in Akron in the early winter of 1840-41. Among the converts was Ira Viets of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. Through a revelation William Miller predicted that the world would end on April 4, 1843. It was reported that Ira Viets hearkened to the Second Adventists' admonition that earthly passions are sinful, interpreted literally a certain verse in the Bible and mutilated himself with a plane-bit and a mallet. It was also reported that there were several others whose minds were permanently unbalanced.

Ira was confined in the county jail, in a disturbed mental state "from the delusive and inconsistent dogma of Millerism." [Lane, Fifty Years and Over of Akron and Summit County.] It appeared doubtful that he would survive. He did live as the records show that he was brought to court June 19, 1845 for an inquiry into his case and was judged to be insane. [Summit County, Ohio, Common Pleas Journal, vol. 2, pp. 515-516. FHF#1287580.] Children:

250. i. Eliza M., born July 1832.

251. ii. Adam Clark, born 3 June 1834.

iii. Ellen, married October 9, 1845 in Summit County, Ohio, to Sherman Biggs/Briggs. No further record.

iv. Ann, married October 26, 1846 in Summit County, to John Edwards. No further record.
v. Julia, born ca 1837. No further record.

[The last three may be daughters of Ira, but no positive documentation has been found. Lemuel Watson Viets (see No. 235) was also living in Summit County in 1840; Ellen and Ann could possibly be his daughters, although they would have had to have been married at very young ages.]

References: Grismer, Akron and Summit County; Summit County, Ohio, Vital Records 1840-1943, FHF#1287580.

107. (Letia$^5$, John$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$.)

Letia Viets, daughter of John and Lois (Phelps) Viets of Westfield, Massachusetts, was born in Westfield in 1796 and died in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, in 1857; married February 26, 1818 [Westfield, Massachusetts, First Church records] Seth Harrison, born July 24, 1796, in Westfield, son of Reuben and Nancy (Baldwin) Harrison, of a family of respected and honored citizens. Reuben Harrison was a private in Shay's Rebellion. Children:

i. Emeline Harrison, born December 13, 1818 in Westfield and died there February 18, 1862. She married in Westfield on September 5, 1836 William Ely, born in Westfield, April 17, 1817, son of Elihu and Grace (Rose) Ely. Near the end of the Civil War, William Ely moved his family to a homestead near Elizabeth, New Jersey, where he died. Ten children (Ely).
ii. Elizabeth Harrison, born March 2, 1821; died February 17, 1840; married William Willis.
iii. Mary Jane Harrison, born January 12, 1823; died April 25, 1898; married November 4, 1847, in Westfield, Dean Gray Jr. of Rockville. Three children (Gray).
iv. Lucy Ann Harrison, born April 7, 1825; married Luther Grover of Westfield. Six children (Grover).
v. Nancy J. Harrison, born April 6, 1827; married William Ely after the death of his first wife, her sister Emeline. She died February 28, 1895.
vi. Harriet N. Harrison, born April 29, 1829; died August 23, 1894.
vii. Clara C. Harrison, born April 9, 1831; married James S. T. Stranahan in 1870.

Obituary, 1904, newspaper unknown

Mrs. Clara C. Stranahan, seventy-three, founder of Barnard College for Women, of Columbia University and long identified with the higher education of women in this country, died at her home in Brooklyn, New York Sunday night of apoplexy. Mrs. Stranahan was the widow of James S. T. Stranahan, who from his benefactions and public spirit, was known as "Brooklyn's first citizen."

Her birthplace was Westfield, Massachusetts. She was educated in northern Ohio, at Mount Holyoke and at Troy, New York and at one time was called "the best educated woman in the U.S."

She taught in Troy and in Brooklyn and in 1870 married Mr. Stranahan. She was a trustee, as well as the founder of Barnard College. Some years ago she donated $25,000 to Michigan University as a memorial to her father, Seth Harrison, as a scholarship fund.

Mrs. Stranahan was a frequent contributor to magazines and other periodicals, and was the author of a work on French painting. She was vice-president of the Emma Willard Association, composed of alumnae of the Troy Female Seminary, and a member of the D.A.R.

Hon. J.S.T Stranahan was originally from East Killingly. He was a member of Congress, and originator of Prospect Park, Brooklyn. He died at Saratoga Springs, New York, September 3, 1898, at the age of 90 years.

viii. William H. Harrison, born February 22, 1833; died September 19, 1878; married Lucy Ingersoll.
ix. Maria L. Harrison, born May 12, 1835; married Judge Henry R. Lovell of Flint, Michigan. Six children (Lovell).
x. Fannie E. Harrison, born 1837; died 1839.
xi. George E. Harrison, born March 30, 1839.

108. (Lois$^5$, John$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$.)

Lois Viets, daughter of John and Lois (Phelps) Viets of Westfield, married January 26, 1824 in Westfield, William Brumley of Wilbraham, Massachusetts. [Westfield, Massachusetts, First Church Records.] A William Brumley family is listed in the census at New Hartford, Oneida County, New York, in 1830. In the household is an older couple who could be the parents of Lois. New Hartford is close to Rome, New York, where John and Lois (Phelps) Viets were said to have gone. A granddaughter of theirs, daughter of Harvey Viets, listed her birth place as Utica, New York, also in the same vicinity. [See No. 253.]

109. (Harvey$^5$, John$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$.)

From Westfield, Massachusetts, vital records: "Harvey Viets of Westfield and Maria Gillett of Southwick, Massachusetts married December 2, 1824." Maria Gillett was born May 16, 1795, daughter of Moses and Charity (Beach) Gillett. This Harvey is most likely the son of John Viets of Westfield. The Viets Genealogy states that "Harvey died about 1847, or soon after that date, leaving, as it is thought, no family." This is probably an error. He was listed in the 1840 census of West Springfield with one female age 0-5 and one female 60-70. The latter may have been his widowed mother. He must be the Harvey Viets who married Anna Hystings in West Springfield, Massachusetts, December 14, 1844. [Granby, First Congregational Church records.] A death

record for "Mr. Veats" in West Springfield, Massachusetts, September 4, 1847 may be his. [Agawam, Massachusetts, Congregational Church records.] Children:

252. i. Charity Maria, who changed her name to Emily Maria.
253. ii. Mary Ann.

110. (John Knutton[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1].)

John Knutton Viets, son of Roger Moore and Eliza (Knutton) Viets, was born 1809 in Digby, Nova Scotia, and died in 1868; married February 23, 1832 Harriet Martyn, who was born May 11, 1811. [Trinity Anglican Parish Register, FHF#0979410.] Mr. Viets was high sheriff of Digby County from 1851 to 1869. Children:

254. i. Charles, born June 21, 1832.
255. ii. Celia, baptized August 17, 1834.
256. iii. Henry Synnott, born April 24, 1836.
iv. Harriet, born November 8, 1837; died at age of 10 years.
257. v. Sarah Morton.
vi. Margaret Lavinia, baptized August 29, 1841; died unmarried.
258. vii. Edward Martyn, born April 12, 1843.
viii. Mary Eliza, baptized May 3, 1845; died unmarried.
ix. John Botsford, born March 18, 1850; died March 1, 1889, in Malden, Massachusetts, unmarried.
x. William, died in infancy.

111. (Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1].)

Botsford Viets, son of Roger Moore and Eliza (Knutton) Viets, was born in Digby, Nova Scotia, July 4, 1810; died in 1897. He married June 13, 1833 Sarah Martyn. [Trinity Anglican Parish Register, Digby, FHF#0979410.] The family resided in Digby where Mr. Viets was collector of customs from 1857 to 1895. Children:

i. Caroline Adelaide, born June 10, 1834; was named for her aunt, Caroline Viets Wade, and Adelaide, the Queen Dowager. She resided in Digby. She furnished valuable notes and records for the Viets Genealogy. She died about 1908, unmarried.
ii. George Augustus, born 1835; died unmarried.
259. iii. Sarah Eliza, born August 28, 1837.
260. iv. John Moore, born December 11, 1839.

112. (Margaret Susan[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1].)

Margaret Susan Viets, daughter of Roger Moore and Eliza (Knutton) Viets, was born between the years 1810 and 1813, probably in Saint John, New Brunswick; married November 19, 1833 Stephen Henry Synnott of Saint John. [Trinity Anglican Parish Register, FHF#0979410.] His father was Stephen Synnott, a

general in the British army of County Wexford, Ireland. He married a Mrs. Hendricks. The Synnotts lived in Essex County, Massachusetts, in 1900. Children:

i. Stephen Henry Synnott Jr., born in Digby, Nova Scotia, was a minister, his first parish being Cooperstown, New York. He married there Alice Trumbull Worthington who was born in Cooperstown. Four children (Synnott).
ii. Eliza Synnott, born February 4, 1836; married October 15, 1868 Henry Augustus Scott, born 1836 and died 1884. Mrs. Scott died May 1924. Five children (Scott).

Reference: Loyalist Lineages of Canada, 1783-1983.

113. (Louisa[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1].)

Louisa Viets, daughter of Roger Moore and Eliza (Knutton) Viets, was born about 1813; married June 26, 1832 [Trinity Anglican Parish Register, FHF#0979410] Colonel James Archer Denison, of Annapolis, Nova Scotia, born November 22, 1802, son of James and Lavinia (Denison) Denison. Mr. Denison studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1827. He was for many years judge of probate for Digby County. Children:

i. Emma Denison, born March 16, 1833 in Nova Scotia; died December 13, 1873. She married December 29, 1863 Samuel Antil Denison, born November 17, 1835 in Nova Scotia, son of Samuel and Susan (Pines) Denison. Four children (Denison).
ii. James Denison, born June 14, 1834.
iii. Louisa Denison, born December 28, 1835; died 1872.
iv. Julia Denison, born February 23, 1838; died 1873.
v. George Denison, born September 26, 1839; died 1869.
vi. Frank Denison, born November 8, 1841.
vii. Lucy Denison, born May 12, 1844.
viii. Herbert Denison, born May 16, 1846.
ix. Archibald Viets Denison, born November 27, 1848; died 1867.
x. Charles Denison, born June 28, 1851.
xi. Eliza Denison (twin), born October 31, 1853; married Albert James Smith Copp, solicitor and member of House of Parliament in Canada. Two daughters (Copp).
xii. Walter Denison (twin), born October 31, 1853.
xiii. William Denison, born February 2, 1858.

114. (Eliza Sophia[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Eliza Sophia Viets, daughter of Roger Moore and Eliza (Knutton) Viets, was born in Digby, Nova Scotia, December 15, 1816 [Trinity Anglican Parish Register, FHF#0979410] and died after 1902. She married William F. Bonnell. Children:

i. William Franklin Bonnell, Jr., married Sarah C. Cutler.
ii. Roderick Bonnell, married.
iii. Anning Digby Bonnell, born December 24, 1842 in Gagetown, New Brunswick; married in 1886 Gertrude Wade, born 1858 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Mr. Bonnell died in 1911. Two children (Bonnell).
iv. Annie Eliza Bonnell, married Charles Bloomfield Waller Wardlaw. Four children (Wardlaw).
v. Charles Edward Bonnell, born 1847 in Gagetown, New Brunswick; died in March 1935. He married May 18, 1881 Frances Bowen Campbell, born August 19, 1854 in Charleston, South Carolina, daughter of the Reverend John Barnwell and Elizabeth M. (Parker) Campbell. She died April 14, 1898. Five children (Bonnell).
vi. Margaret Louisa Bonnell, born September 2, 1850; married July 1, 1882 Charles Edward Turnbull. Mrs. Turnbull died in Digby, Nova Scotia, August 7, 1946. Two children (Turnbull).
vii. Henry Bonnell, born February 13, 1853 in Gagetown, New Brunswick; died March 14, 1884. He was ordained to the ministry in 1882. Unmarried.
viii. George Bonnell, died young.
ix. Jack Bonnell, died young.
x. Lilla Bonnell, born December 10, 1860 in either Brooklyn, New York, or in Canada; married April 28, 1881 Alfred Mintram, born December 13, 1847 in England, a son of William and Lucy (Taylor) Mintram. Mrs. Mintram died July 24, 1910. Two children (Mintram).

115. (Caroline$^5$, Roger M.$^4$, Roger$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Caroline Viets, daughter of Rev. Roger Moore and Eliza (Knutton) Viets, was born May 9, 1818 in Digby, Nova Scotia; married December 22, 1842 John Chipman Wade, born September 9, 1818 in Granville, Nova Scotia, and died July 8, 1892. His widow died July 3, 1901.

Obituary, Digby, Nova Scotia, newspaper unknown

On Friday last, at his residence on Queen St., Digby, after a lengthy illness, John C. Wade, Q.C., passed quietly away at the age of 74 years.

Mr. Wade was born in Granville and married the youngest daughter of the Rev. Roger M. Viets, formerly a rector of this parish. He was admitted to the bar in 1840 and ranked among the oldest of our barristers. In 1860 he was appointed a Queen's counsel; one of the last who received this appointment directly from the Crown. He was first elected to the Legislative Assembly of this province in 1851, where he continuously represented this county until the provinces were confederated in 1867. He was elected Speaker of the House in 1856, which position he held until Confederation. Running for the House of Commons at that time he was defeated by the present County Court Judge (The Hon. A. W. Savary). In 1878 the Hon. W. B. Vail, then Minister of Militia in the McKenzie Government, representing this county, was unseated, and came back for

re-election. He was beaten by Mr. Wade, and in the general election eight months after, Mr. Wade was again successful over Dr. P. W. Smith. In 1882 Mr. Wade was defeated by Mr. Vail and decided to retire from political life.

No one man ever exercised so continuous an influence on the politics of the county as did John C. Wade, and he was, to the closing of his political career, popular and liked by the people. He was very decided in his political opinions, and never afraid to express them. When the first railway measure was introduced into the House of Assembly for the construction of the road from Halifax to Windsor, the parties for and against were equally balanced, and the result depended upon Mr. Wade's vote. This was cast in favour of the resolution, and the province then took the first step in the path of railway construction.

Up to the time that the cry of Catholic ascendency was raised by Mr. Howe, Mr. Wade had supported the Liberal party, but feeling that injustice was being done to a large proportion of his constituents he joined the Conservatives, in whose ranks he ever after remained.

In private life he was a man of kindly and generous instincts and since his retirement from politics, has interfered but little with public affairs, living a comparatively secluded life.

His remains were escorted to their last resting place on Sunday by the Masonic body, of which he was a member; Masons from Bear River and Annapolis joining with their brethren here in the procession while very many friends paid their last tribute of respect to his memory by accompanying the funeral cortege. At the church, which was filled to its utmost capacity, the services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Bryant, while at the grave the final burial services were according to the Masonic rites.

Children, born in Digby, Nova Scotia:

i. Catherine Wade, born September 27, 1843; married December 12, 1867 Fred Ladd Jones, born September 15, 1847 in Brookline, Massachusetts, son of James Henry and Frances Amelia (or Augustus) (Whipple) Jones, who was a descendant of Brigadier General William Whipple, a signer of the Declaration of Independence from New Hampshire. Mr. Jones was inspector of customs in Ottawa, and prior to his appointment to the government service was a well-known newspaper correspondent. He died in 1909; his widow died in Montreal on November 16, 1917. Four children (Jones).

ii. Jared Chipman Wade, born February 16, 1845; died October 31, 1848.

iii. Annie McNabb Wade, born January 5, 1847; died December 6, 1847.

iv. John Rodger Wade, born July 31, 1849; married in 1875 Blanche Algee. Mr. Wade was a practicing physician and died in 1903.

Three sons (Wade), two of whom resided in Andover, New Brunswick, where they were druggists.

v. George Augustus Wade, born August 5, 1852; died September 19, 1855.

vi. Joseph Whidden Wade, born March 6, 1854; died January 5, 1859.

vii. Henry Synnott Wade, born June 2, 1856; married December 12, 1882 Agatha Eliza Dakin, born August 16, 1864. Mr Wade died March 28, 1885. One daughter (Wade).

viii. Alan Viets Wade, born May 2, 1858; married May 19, 1891 in Grace Church, Ottawa, to Amy Clarissa Lane, born November 18, 1862 in Quebec City, daughter of George H. Lane, Deputy Provincial Registrar, Province of Old Canada, and granddaughter of the late Commissary General John Lane of the British Army. Her mother was Harriet Ross; both parents born in Quebec City. Mr. Wade was a barrister in Digby, and from 1890 to 1894 was town clerk and treasurer of that place. He removed to Ottawa about 1896 where he entered the Civil Service. At the time of his death on October 20, 1917 he was employed as a clerk in the statistics branch of the Customs Department. His widow died November 7, 1927. Seven children (Wade).

ix. Harriet Eliza Wade, born September 28, 1859; died April 18, 1864.

116. (Seth$^5$, Seth$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Seth Viets, son of Seth and Eunice (Dewey) Viets, was born about 1800 in Pawlet, Vermont, and lived there during the earlier portion of his life. Later he moved to Oberlin, Lorain County, Ohio, where he died October 2, 1860. He married Arabella Taylor, born in Pawlet June 7, 1806, daughter of Samuel Jr. and Olive (Pomroy) Taylor. She died in Oberlin January 17, 1879. [Lorain County, Ohio, VR, FHF#1294335.] Children:

261. i. Charlotte Marie, born November 14, 1832.

262. ii. Samuel Beman, born May 22, 1838.

117. (Harvey$^5$, Seth$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Harvey Viets, son of Seth and Eunice (Dewey) Viets, was born about 1807 in Vermont. The Viets Genealogy states that he moved to Plainville, Michigan, in 1853 but he has not been traced to that locality. He supposedly was married with one child. His wife died and he married second, Emeline Brown, born ca 1810 in Vermont, daughter of Seeley Brown. He is listed in the 1850 Vermont census at Rutland with a wife, Emeline, age forty; Julia A. Monroe, age twenty-five; Caroline Monroe, age twenty-two; and an "Adeline Viets," age fifteen, in the household. Child:

i. Adeline Viets, born ca 1835 in Vermont. No further record.

118. (Mary$^5$, Seth$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Mary Viets, daughter of Seth and Eunice (Dewey) Viets, was born about 1808 in Pawlet, Vermont; married Franklin Jones of West Pawlet, son of Joseph and Deborah Jones. She died in 1893. Children:

i. Alta Jones, born about 1838; married Edward Moran. Three children (Moran).
ii. Fannie E. Jones, born October 4, 1840; married November 25, 1858 Joel A. Nelson, born December 31, 1840 and died January 31, 1876. His widow died October 13, 1893. Seven children (Nelson).
iii. Helen Jones, born about 1845; died 1894; married Elery A. Clayton.

119. (Isabel$^5$, Seth$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Isabel Viets, daughter of Seth Jr. and Eunice (Dewey) Viets, was born in Pawlet, Vermont, about 1810 and died about 1880. She married Henry P. Sherman on December 15, 1836. Children, born in Vermont:

i. Lester Sherman, born ca 1838; Mr. Sherman died in the early 1930s. Three children (Sherman). His widow married Robert Cutting.
ii. Laura Ann Sherman, born ca 1841; her husband was killed in the Civil War. She died in Pawlet in 1898.
iii. Harriet Marie Sherman, born ca 1843; died in Pawlet about 1885; unmarried.
iv. Sarah Jane Sherman, born November 15, 1847; married March 17, 1870 Isaac Barnes, born March 14, 1846 (?) in Dorsetshire, England, son of Charles (?) and _____ (Wilson) Barnes. He came to the U.S. in 1863. He died January 16, 1921; his wife died March 9, 1892. Seven children (Barnes).

120. (Henry$^5$, Seth$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Captain Henry Viets, son of Seth Jr. and Eunice (Dewey) Viets, was born in Pawlet, Vermont, May 4, 1814 and died there August 20, 1877; married in 1836 Harriet Maria Shaw, born March 3, 1817, daughter of Jonathan and Betsey (Vance) Shaw. In Hemenway's Vermont Historical Gazetteer, Henry Viets is mentioned as serving in the infantry of the Pawlet militia. His widow was living in Bennington County, Vermont, in 1900. She died July 23, 1901. Both are buried in Mt. View Cemetery, West Pawlet. [Jenks, Cemetery Inscriptions, Pawlet, Vermont.] Children, born in Vermont:

263. i. Harriet Louisa, born 1836.
264. ii. Fayette, born December 12, 1841.
265. iii. Helen Maria, born August 11, 1846.
266. iv. Martin Henry, born May 27, 1849.

121. (Sophia[5], Simeon S.[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Sophia Viets, daughter of Simeon Smith and Jane (McIntyre) Viets, was born August 10, 1800 in either Connecticut or Massachusetts. She married in West Springfield, Massachusetts, December 27, 1821 Jesse M. Leonard [Feeding Hills, Massachusetts Congregational Church records]. They later lived in Geneva, Ohio. She died in Oakland, California, January 25, 1884. Children:

i. Julia Ann Leonard, born June 6, 1822; married in 1847 Calvin Munger, born at Saratoga Springs, New York, in 1822, son of Gideon and Judy M. (Dewey) Munger. The family resided in Sacramento, California. Two children (Munger).
ii. Ambrose Viets Leonard, born October 23, 1824; left Moore's Flat, California, in 1869.
iii. Volney M. Leonard, born July 15, 1832; married in 1851 Helen Loomis, born March 13, 1833, daughter of Selden and Ann (King) Loomis of Conneaut, Ohio.
iv. Carlisle Leonard, born July 19, 1834; died in Sacramento in 1854.

122. (Simeon Smith[5], Simeon S.[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

[Note: No data on which of the two wives of Simeon Smith Viets was the mother of the following three individuals. See No. 45.]

Simeon Smith Viets Jr. son of Simeon Smith, was born in Massachusetts in 1802. He married in North Granby, April 16, 1828 Betsey Holcomb, born 1804 in Granby, daughter of Philetus and Theodocia (Reed) Holcomb. Mr. Viets was a cigarmaker. They lived in Granby in 1850. He died December 4, 1851 and was buried in Granby Cemetery. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children:

267. i. Francis L., born ca 1829.
268. ii. Cornelia Theodora, born 1830 or 1831.
iii. Shrigley S., born ca 1834; died in young manhood, probably unmarried. In 1855 his mother asked the court to appoint a conservator for Shrigley, for reason of "sickness and ill health." [Connecticut, Granby District, Probate #1640, FHF#1017843.]
iv. Henry C., born ca 1842; died 1859.

123. (Jane[5], Simeon S.[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Jane Viets, daughter of Simeon Smith Viets, was born October 5, 1805 in North Granby; married December 30, 1828 Orlin Dibble, born in 1807 and died in 1874. Mr. Dibble was a harness maker in North Granby where he and his family lived. Mrs. Dibble died in Springfield, Massachusetts, about 1895. Children:

i. Nelson Orlin Dibble, born in North Granby 1832; died 1926. He married November 11, 1856 Emily Wilcox, a daughter of Lyman and Ann (Fuller) Wilcox. She was born in 1834 and died in 1907. Nelson Dibble was also a harness maker in North Granby, but in

1865 removed to East Hampton, Massachusetts. During the Civil War his shop turned out a great deal of cavalry equipment for the government and he continued his trade for several years in Granby. In East Hampton he began the manufacture of suspenders and shoulder braces, as well as making a line of rubber goods. He was the patentee of the Dibble Shoulder Braces. For twenty-two years he conducted a successful manufacturing business in East Hampton, selling his goods all over the United States. He retired in 1915. Eight children (Dibble).

124. (Nancy[5], Simeon S.[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Nancy Viets, daughter of Simeon Smith, was born in 1807; married the Reverend James H. Merry, born in Cairo, Greene County, New York, a son of Rufus and Phebe Merry. After the death of his wife in 1878 the Reverend Merry married in 1880 Mrs. McCourt. He was a carpenter as well as a "Minister of the Pulpit." Children:

i. William Leander Merry, born in Ripley, Chautauqua County, New York; married September 22, 1868 in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, by his father, to Anna Brazleton, daughter of William and Mary Pickett.
ii. Harry Merry, no further record.
iii. Edward Nelson Merry, born in Conneaut, Ohio; married February 11, 1866 in Fond du Lac by his father, to Sarah Stowe.
iv. Henry Merry, living in 1873; no further information.
v. Emma Merry, married May 6, 1878 in Fond du Lac to William Collins of the same city. He was a son of Enos and Cordelia Collins, and was a photographer in Fond du Lac.

125. (Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Rodney Viets, son of the Reverend Jesse and Dolly (Sacket) Viets, was born in St. Albans, Vermont, June 16, 1806; moved with his parents to Amboy, Ohio, in 1823; married in 1829 Lucinda H. Wood, born in Conneaut, Pennsylvania [?], March 28, 1808. Both died in 1887 in Saybrook, Ohio, the wife on February 28 and the husband November 20.

From the Viets Genealogy:

> The following sketch of the Reverend Rodney Viets is from the pen of his daughter, Mrs. D. H. Gaylord:
>
> Mr. Viets was like his father, a pioneer preacher. At the age of twenty-one he was a prominent member of the M. E. Church, a class-leader, and an active exhorter. Soon after that, however, when the wave of reformation swept over the Western Reserve and adjacent states led by the Campbellites, and those who pleaded for a return to primitive Christianity, he became deeply interested, and was thoroughly convinced that he had learned the way more perfectly. He met with opposition, yet never afterwards regretted his final decision.

In his obituary is this tribute:

> Elder Viets, in his chosen field of thought, was a man of more than ordinary powers. His forte was the gospel, to which he devoted heart, brain and purse. The disciples in Geneva owe him a debt of love for the hundreds of dollars he gave them in their first efforts there. He united with the Disciples fifty years ago, when such a step covered the heretic with contempt; but he lived to see the church of his choice number a membership of 700,000, among whom are scholars, authors, editors, generals, senators and a president of the nation. He was a hated, original Abolitionist, and lived to see his wildest dreams on the subject more than realized in the extinction of American slavery. He held gently the reins of family government, was true to temperance principles, loyal to God, to his county, his church, and his friends, and we believe, his supreme hope is now realized in eternal life.
>
> Mr. Viets' wife shared with him their pioneer life, and by her industry and economy, assisted in securing a competency for their old age. Having nobly filled the place of mother, wife, and friend, she died as the righteous die.

Children:

i. Rodney Dwight, born March 19, 1830 in Conneaut, Ohio; died February 18, 1831. [Ashtabula County Ohio Genealogical Society, [Cemetery Inscriptions, Ashtabula County, Ohio.]

269. ii. Mandana Lucinda, born November 13, 1831.

270. iii. Byron Mortimer, born September 13, 1833.

271. iv. Harriet Melissa, born March 11, 1836.

272. v. Frank Jesse, born March 12, 1839.

vi. Clarissa Marie, born July 19, 1841; died December 25, 1847.

273. vii. Mary Elizabeth, born August 30, 1845.

274. viii. Celestia Clarissa, born November 6, 1847.

275. ix. Durell Fremont, born April 1, 1854.

## 126. (Rollin S.$^{5}$, Jesse$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Rollin S. Viets, son of Jesse and Dolly (Sacket) Viets, was born presumably in Vermont in June 1808(?). He is likely named for his mother's brother, Rollin Sacket. He married in Conneaut, Ashtabula County, Ohio, December 2, 1831 Electa A. Brown, born April 29, 1805 in Schoharie County, New York; died September 20, 1884. Mrs. Viets came to Ashtabula County in 1809. [Census of Pioneer Women of Ashtabula County Who Came to or Were Born in this County Before the Year 1850.] Mr. Viets died April 9, 1848 in Conneaut. [Ashtabula County, Ohio Genealogical Society, Cemetery Inscriptions, Ashtabula County, Ohio.] Children:

276. i. Rollin Burton, born May 1834.

277. ii. Philander Dan, born November 3, 1836.

278. iii. Elliot Winfield, born July 28, 1839.

279. iv. Jesse L., born ca 1842.
280. v. Andrew Hamlin, born July 10, 1845.

## 127. (Dolly Ann[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Dolly Ann Viets, daughter of the Reverend Jesse and Dolly (Sacket) Viets, is thought to have been born in Vermont, the date of birth February 25, 1811. She married September 8, 1835 Oratio Avery Lovejoy, born April 6, 1810 in Westminster, Vermont(?), son of Isaac A. and Prudence (Stacy) Lovejoy of Westminster. Both Mr. and Mrs. Lovejoy died in Conneaut, Ohio, and are buried in Amboy Cemetery, Amboy, Ohio. Mr. Lovejoy died April 21, 1881 and his widow December 7, 1882. [Ashtabula County, Ohio Genealogical Society, Cemetery Inscriptions, Ashtabula County, Ohio.] Children, probably born in Conneaut:

i. Caroline L. Lovejoy, born December 23, 1836 in Ohio; died June 10, 1852.
ii. Helen Augusta Lovejoy, born October 18, 1838 in Conneaut; married March 17, 1858 Alfred Bennett Crittenden, born August 3, 1839 in Conneaut, son of Alfred and Lydia (Williams) Crittenden. He died May 12, 1920; his widow on January 5, 1922. Four children (Crittenden).
iii. Jeanette Lovejoy, born October 3, 1841 in Amboy/Conneaut, Ohio; married December 25, 1858 Robert C. Goldsmith, born February 14, 1839 in Dunkirk, New York, and died March 27, 1920. Mrs. Goldsmith died in 1916 or 1917. Four children (Goldsmith).
iv. Elsie Lovejoy, born March 27, 1844 in Amboy, Ohio; married Arthur Stacy and died January 27, 1869. No children.

Reference: Lovejoy, The Lovejoy Genealogy.

## 128. (Mary Ann[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Ann Viets, daughter of the Reverend Jesse and Dolly (Sacket) Viets, was born June 14, 1813 probably in Vermont. She married January 17, 1831 Henry Benson, born 1811 in Pompey, New York; he died April 4, 1881. Mrs. Benson died October 12, 1886. The family lived on a farm in Conneaut, Ohio, near Amboy.

Reference: Benson Family Bible, owned by Henry C. Benson, Conneaut, Ohio. Handwritten inside: "This Bible was picked for Mary Ann by her father, Jesse Viets, with the money he received of her husband, Henry Benson, for celebrating their marriage." [Ohio Genealogical Society Report, Vol. 27, No. 1.]

Children:

i. Henry Watson Benson, born September 29, 1833 in Conneaut; married December 25, 1858 Ursula Fox, born December 25, 1837 in Conneaut, daughter of Samuel and Diana Fox. They celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary, December 25, 1908. Mr. Benson died March 4,

1919; his widow died September 5, 1922. Four children (Benson).

ii. Dwight L. Benson, born November 3, 1835; died September 7, 1839.

iii. Emery H. Benson, born September 23, 1838; died April 15, 1898 unmarried.

iv. Mary Rosette Benson, born September 27, 1841 in Conneaut or Amboy; married John Starkweather, born in New York state, September 27, 1839, son of Palmer and Ann Starkweather. He died August 27, 1917 near Meadville, Missouri. His widow died December 13, 1924. Three children (Starkweather).

v. Leslie Clark Benson, born June 13, 1843 in Conneaut; married March 28, 1864 Alice Beckwith, born February 14, 1847 in Pomfret, New York, daughter of Elisha and Laura (Tyrrel) Beckwith. He served as a private in Company F, 2nd Regiment Ohio Volunteer Cavalry in the Civil War. They celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. She died July 8, 1914; Mr. Benson died on June 23, 1930. Both are buried in the Amboy Cemetery. Eight children (Benson).

vi. Adelbert Vernesse Benson, born October 12, 1847 probably in Conneaut; married July 4, 1872 Almyra Simpson, born May 14, 1855 in Lockport, Pennsylvania, daughter of Ira and Eliza (Bogett) Simpson. She died March 10, 1937; Mr. Benson died October 2, 1926. Six children (Benson).

vii. Ella Benson, born July 25, 1853; died August 15, 1865.

Reference: Benson, Benson Family Records.

129. (Rose Ann$^5$, Jesse$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Rose Ann or Nancy Rosannah Viets, daughter of the Reverend Jesse and Dolly (Sacket) Viets, was born in 1816 and died July 9, 1893. She married April 13, 1840 [Early Marriage Bonds of Ohio, DAR, Ohio State Library] Carlisle Palmer, who died in Amboy, Ohio, February 28, 1896 about eighty-five years old. It is believed he was born in East Hartford in 1811 and was adopted into the family of Roswell Viets when about five years of age, and went to Amboy with Mr. Viets in 1820. He was by turns a painter and merchant. Children:

i. Arthur D. Palmer, born 184_, probably in Amboy; enlisted in the Fifty-second Ohio Regiment in the Civil War, taken prisoner at the battle of Peach Tree Creek near Atlanta, Georgia; was imprisoned at Andersonville, and died after liberation in 1864.

ii. Emma L. Palmer, born October 19, 1845 in Amboy; married October 24, 1865 George L. Young, born August 29, 1842 in Keating Township, Pennsylvania, son of John G. and Urany (DeGolier) Young. He died February 19, 1898; his widow died April 11, 1923. Six children (Young).

iii. Rollin M. Palmer, born 1846 in Ohio; married October 17, 1870 Mary Ellen Woodworth, born August 9, 1852 in Conneaut and died May 11, 1927. Mr. Palmer died December 11, 1933. Three children (Palmer).

iv. Robert E. Palmer, died young in 1858.

v. Leon D. Palmer, born July 21, 1861; died September 22, 1894 unmarried.
vi. Daughter Palmer, died in infancy.

130. (Eunice Madonna[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Eunice Madonna Viets, daughter of Rev. Jesse and Dolly (Sacket) Viets, was born December 19, 1818 in St. Albans, Vermont. She married in Ashtabula County, Ohio, March 13, 1845 John Reid Watson. The family resided at one time near Nashville, Iowa, on a farm. The relatives of Eunice Watson had lost all trace of her family, but through the persistent search by H. Isabel Viets, one of her grandsons was located. It seems that Eunice Watson was quite a poetess as her granddaughter, Mrs. Burkett, has in her possession a book of poems written by her. Mrs. Watson died in 1884 in Iowa. Children:

i. Edgar Watson, born in Wyoming County, New York, August 5, 1848 and removed with his parents to Jackson County, Iowa, in June 1853. He died December 3, 1911 in Powhatan, Kansas, where he lived on a farm. He married in Canton, Iowa, November 14, 1872 Mary E. Gilmore, born February 16, 1849 in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, daughter of James and Margaret (Roderick) Gilmore. She died September 2, 1923 in Holton, Kansas. James Gilmore was a captain in the Civil War and know as a "Copperhead," a political term applied by Union men in the North to those men in the North who favored peace and opposed the war policy of the president and congress. Ten children (Watson).
ii. Reed Watson, born 1852 in Wyoming County, New York, and died in Nashville, Iowa, August 30, 1874. He was a school teacher, married but had no children.
iii. Leslie Watson, date of birth unknown; married Alice _____ and had one son.
iv. Eugene Watson, born March 23, 1855 in Nashville, Iowa; married December 6, 1883 in Maquoketa, Iowa, Anna Eliza Breeden, born October 16, 1865 at Iron Hill, Jackson County, Iowa, daughter of Richard Perry and Clementine Breeden. Mr. Watson died August 6, 1906; his widow died August 8, 1937. The Watson farm was 8 miles from Maquoketa P.O. and near Nashville. Seven children (Watson).

131. (Franklin[5], Roswell[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Franklin Viets, son of Roswell and Arabella (Granger) Viets, was born in East Hartford, January 1, 1816. At the age of four years he removed with his parents to Conneaut, Ohio. He married June 13, 1844 Ellen Elizabeth McDonnell, born in Kirkland, Oneida County, New York, July 17, 1821 and died March 11, 1870. The family resided in Amboy, Ohio. Children:

i. Ellena F., born March 28, 1845. Died unmarried.
ii. Emily A., born October 5, 1847; married in Ashtabula County, Ohio, October 1, 1903 J. T. Arthur Tousignant.

132. (Barzillia Granger[5], Roswell[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Barzillia Granger Viets, son of Roswell and Arabella (Granger) Viets, was born February 5, 1818 in East Windsor and died in Conneaut, Ohio, June 14, 1885. He married May 20, 1840 Hannah Bushnell, born June 9, 1820 and died in Conneaut September 18, 1890. They purchased a ten-acre farm with a small one-room home for $350. The property was heavily wooded, on Lake Road in Conneaut. In 1845-46 they built a large new home on the property, and the earlier home was attached forming a long wing. Barzillia was president of the Conneaut Agricultural Society in 1861 and 1874. Children:

i. Orpha Veronia, born May 11, 1842; married November 11, 1860 D. K. Carter. She died in Conneaut, February 17, 1861.

281. ii. Edward Walton (twin), born July 28, 1847.

iii. Francis W. (twin), born July 28, 1847; died March 24, 1863. [Ashtabula County Genealogical Society, Cemetery Inscriptions, Ashtabula County, Ohio.]

282. iv. Byron Bushnell, born June 2, 1849.

[Information on this family was sent to me in January 1987 by Louise Passmore-Legeza, 1448 Lake Road, Conneaut, Ohio, who now lives in the house built by Barzillia. The house was once the site of Conneaut's first Country Club. Mrs. Passmore-Legeza wrote up the Viets families for inclusion in Ashtabula County History - Then and Now. --DVS.]

133. (Fidelia[5], Roswell[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Fidelia Viets, daughter of Roswell and Arabella (Granger) Viets, was born in West Springfield, Massachusetts, February 28, 1820; married in Conneaut, Ohio, January 1, 1840 Walker Sleeper Bennett, born August 25, 1817 in Newtown, son of Abraham and Mary Rowland (Griffin) Bennett. He died in Monroe, Ohio, December 26, 1883, his wife having died there January 28, 1878. Children, born in Monroe:

i. Ellen Arcelia Bennett, born March 26, 1844; married March 4, 1868 in Monroe, Philo Wiltshire Webster, born June 5, 1834 in Saybrook, Ohio, son of Philo and Celestia (Knapp) Webster of New York and Norfolk, Connecticut, respectively. Mr. Webster died March 29, 1921 in Vineland, New Jersey; his widow died February 2, 1923. Three children (Webster).

ii. Loren Marcus Bennett, born March 14, 1846; married September 3, 1867 in New Lyme, Ohio, Alzada Brockway, born June 21, 1847 in New Lyme, daughter of Carlos M. and Hannah (McIntire) Brockway. She died December 20, 1926 in Cook, Minnesota. Mr. Bennett died August 26, 1926. Two children (Bennett).

iii. Ann Eliza Bennett, born April 4, 1849; married Isaac D. Chamberlain, who died in Washington, D.C. His widow married in the Soldiers' Home in Marshaltown, Iowa, on August 5, 1925 Price W. Hawley, a resident of the home. He died June 11, 1926 and Mrs.

Hawley died on February 15, 1927. Both are buried in the Soldiers' Home Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain are said to have had five or six sons and one daughter who died in infancy. One son was living in Chicago in 1927.

iv. Frank Edward Bennett, born September 19, 1852; married Carrie Baker. Mr. Bennett died in Conneaut, Ohio, April 8, 1914. His widow married a Mr. Voss and was living in Conneaut in 1940 at the age of eighty-six years. No children.

v. Rollin Andrew Bennett, born September 10, 1853; married first, in 1880 Ella M. Henderson of Panama, New York who died in November 1905. He married second, in January 1906 Dora Sartelle, born 1869 in Rockland, Maine. Mr. Bennett died in March 1936. One son, adopted (Bennett).

vi. Lillian May Bennett, born March 28, 1863 and died in Hazelton, Kansas, in 1886. She married June 10, 1882 Fred B. Hazelton, born in Greenwich and died in Franklin, Pennsylvania, in 1921. He married Edna Burrows as his second wife. One daughter (Hazelton).

## 134. (Charlotte[5], Roswell[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Charlotte Viets, daughter of Roswell and Arabella (Granger) Viets, was born March 20, 1822 place unknown. She married at her parent's home on the lakeshore at Conneaut, Ohio, January 1, 1840 Norman Matson, born April 4, 1818 in Oswego, New York, son of William and Temperance (Taylor) Matson. The family resided in Ottawa, Illinois, where Mrs. Matson died September 21, 1859. Children:

i. Albert Eugene Matson, born June 4, 1841 in Conneaut, Ohio; was a soldier in the Civil War, and afterwards a minister of the gospel. His widow and unmarried daughter, Lottie Bell, were living in San Diego in 1940.

ii. Charlotte Arabella Matson, born May 10, 1844 in Conneaut; married November 8, 1862 Stephen Delos Gregory, born March 2, 1834 in Somerset, New York, son of Samuel II and Joanne (Bateman) Gregory. Both Mr. and Mrs. Gregory died in Rockford, Illinois, the former on September 1, 1915 and the latter on September 14, 1916. Seven children (Gregory).

iii. Catherine Adelaide Matson, born January 20, 1848 in Ottawa, Illinois; married Dr. Byron B. Viets. [See No. 282.]

iv. Ella Matson, born July 17, 1853; married Albert Brown Pitcher of Conneaut, Ohio. Two children (Pitcher).

## 135. (Julia A.[5], Zopher[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Julia A. Viets, daughter of Zopher and Tacy (Hillyer) Viets, was born January 13, 1815 in Granby (now East Granby). She moved as a child with her family to Williamsfield, Ohio. She married May 14, 1837 King Pier in Ashtabula County, Ohio. [VR, Ashtabula County, Ohio.] She died at age twenty-eight, April 24, 1843 in Williamsfield.

136. (Armenus E.$^{5}$, Zopher$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Armenus E. Viets, son of Zopher and Tacy (Hillyer) Viets, was born June 18, 1817 in East Granby; married December 16, 1840 at Cherry Valley, Ohio, Delia U. Smith who died in Amboy, Ohio, January 8, 1864. He married second, November 28, 1865 Adelia A. Williams. Mr. Viets was by trade a cigar manufacturer and his church connection, Congregationalist. He died in Amboy, August 28, 1881. Children, by first marriage:

283. i. Julia E., born August 26, 1844.
ii. George A., born December 28, 1845; died in Conneaut, Ohio, April 13, 1850.
284. iii. Amanda E., born February 22, 1851.
285. iv. Ada M., born August 28, 1853.

By second marriage:

v. Ivie B., born March 6, 1871; died October 8, 1882. [VR, Ashtabula County, Ohio.]
vi. Armenus Elmer, born May 2, 1875; died October 5, 1882 in Conneaut, Ohio. [VR, Ashtabula County, Ohio.]

137. (Emeline A.$^{5}$, Zopher$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Emeline A. Viets, daughter of Zopher and Tacy (Hillyer) Viets, was born November 27, 1819 in East Granby and died June 29, 1891 in Conneaut, Ashtabula County, Ohio. She married in 1834 William Royal, born January 3, 1817 in South Shenango Township, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, son of Henry and Charlotte (Hillman) Royal. He died June 25, 1887 in Troy Center, Pennsylvania. Children:

i. Hiram L. Royal, born November 2, 1838; died February 23, 1888; he was a Civil War veteran. Two daughters (Royal).
ii. Albert H. Royal, born July 25, 1840 in Meadville, Pennsylvania; married on August 2, 1866 Sarah Fidelia Woodruff, born September 20, 1844 in Akron, Ohio, daughter of Nelson and _____ (Handy) Woodruff. Both Mr. and Mrs. Royal died in Shelby, Michigan, Mr. Royal on July 1, 1879 and his widow on January 4, 1922. Mr. Royal was a building contractor and in 1871 he moved his family from Mattawan, Michigan, to Pentwater where he went to build a mill. In 1874 he obtained the contract for a mill in Shelby and the family left Pentwater. This was the year that one of the strangest visitations that ever befell a rural community took place. Hundreds of thousands of passenger pigeons swooped down on Shelby. The skies were dark with the birds as they built their nests in what was then a wooded district east of the town. That visit of the pigeons in 1874 and again in 1876 and 1878 brought fame and also Shelby's first boom. The birds were trapped by thousands daily and shipped to the markets. Mr. Royal operated a

pigeon warehouse from which the birds were shipped. He later entered the drug business in which he remained until his death. Four children (Royal).

iii. Martha Royal, born November 24, 1842 in Pennsylvania; married July 15, 1860 Clinton Fitch, born 1837 in New York state, son of Lyman A. and Caroline M. (Roberts) Fitch. Mr. Fitch died in 1900; his widow died July 29, 1909. Two children (Fitch).

iv. Tacy Royal, born November 5, 1847 in South Shenango, Pennsylvania; married December 24, 1866 Edward Riley Bedell, born June 6, 1841 in Roanoke, New York, a son of William and Emily (Tanner) Bedell. He died February 10, 1915 in Pony, Montana, and his widow died April 12, 1929 in Butte, Montana. Nine children (Bedell).

v. Wilhelmina Royal, born July 5, 1853; died October 3, 1862.

vi. Amanda Royal, born April 25, 1855 in Paw Paw, Michigan; married April 25, 1877 Benjamin F. Olmstead, born March 4, 1850 in Union Township, Michigan, son of Gamalia P. and Lydia (Burnett) Olmstead. He died August 16, 1935; his wife died May 9, 1934. Three children (Olmstead).

138. (Zopher H.$^{5}$, Zopher$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Zopher H. Viets, son of Zopher and Tacy (Hillyer) Viets, was born in East Granby, April 16, 1823; married Mary Jane Hill on May 18, 1841. He was a farmer and resided in 1900 at Troy, Pennsylvania. Children:

i. Eugene E. born September 7, 1855; married February 21, 1877 Mary C. Mills, born May 1853 in Ohio. No children.

ii. Sarah E., born May 28 1858; married February 21, 1878 Albert B. Conover. No children.

139. (Lois A.$^{5}$, Zopher$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Lois A. Viets, daughter of Zopher and Tacy (Hillyer) Viets, was born in East Granby, October 28, 1825 and died April 23, 1857. She married in 1846 James B. French, born January 6, 1824 in Genesee County, New York, son of William Manley and Hannah (Bebee) French. Mr. French died in 1900. He held the position of Township Trustee for several years. During the Civil War he assisted in raising troops from his township of Andover, Ohio. Children:

i. Adella E. French, born October 18, 1848 in Ohio; married July 3, 1866 William Lossee. Four children (Lossee).

ii. Volney Franklin French, born November 27, 1849; married July 8, 1877 Clara Black, born April 20, 1854 in Williamsfield, Ohio, and died June 27, 1900. Mr. French died August 1, 1930 at his home in Andover, Ohio. One daughter, adopted (French).

iii. Ida Estella French, born February 21, 1852 in Williamsfield, Ohio; married March 25, 1874 William Webb, born February 23, 1853 in Turnersville, Pennsylvania, son of William and Lovina (Carpenter) Webb. He died March 1, 1934; his widow died January 12, 1938. One daughter (Webb).

iv. Homer Delos French, born September 25, 1856; married June 11, 1884 M. Edna Marvin. He died July 13, 1928. One daughter (French).

**140.** (Hiram A.[5], Zopher[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Hiram A. Viets, son of Zopher and Tacy (Hillyer) Viets, was born January 19, 1828 in East Granby. In the 1870 federal census for Beloit, Rock County, Wisconsin, an H. A. Viets, cigarmaker, age forty-seven, is listed with wife Clarissa, age forty-eight, born in Vermont. According to his obituary he married Emma Wilder in 1878.

Obituary, Beloit, Wisconsin, Daily News (ca 1909)

Hiram A. Viets, one of the best known and highly respected old residents of the city, died at his home yesterday afternoon. Mr. Viets had been in feeble health for five or six years, but until about three weeks ago when he was stricken with paralysis, his condition was not critical.

Mr. Viets was nearly eighty-two years of age, having been born in East Granby, Conn. January 19, 1828. In boyhood he moved to Ohio, coming on from there to Beloit about the time of the close of the Civil War.

He was engaged for many years in the manufacture of cigars, but in the last twenty-five years had done a considerable real estate business, gathering about him considerable property.

He married Miss Emma Wilder in 1878. They had one child who died in infancy. Besides the widow, there survives one brother, Shalor Viets and one sister, Mrs. J. Simons. He also leaves numerous friends, including members of the Masonic fraternity, in which he had risen to the rank of Knight Templar.

The funeral services will be held at the residence tomorrow afternoon and the interment will be in the city cemetery.

Child:

i. Royal T., born April 25, 1881; died November 2, 1881.

**141.** (Mary Jane[5], Zopher[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Jane Viets, daughter of Zopher and Tacy (Hillyer) Viets, was born June 2, 1830 in East Granby; married October 24, 1850 Henry Grant, son of Paschal W. and Julia (Viets) Grant. [See No. 52.] They resided in Conneaut, Ohio, where Mrs. Grant died December 29, 1890. Child:

i. Lena May Grant, born January 23, 1856; died 1917 unmarried.

142. (Martha M.[5], Zopher[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Martha M. Viets, daughter of Zopher and Tacy (Hillyer) Viets, was born in Andover, Ohio, May 25, 1834; married September 6, 1850 Jackson Simons, who died September 8, 1911. Mrs. Simons died October 22, 1910. Children:

i. Francelia S. Simons, born December 11, 1851; married in 1879 Charles W. Benton. She died in July 1932. No children.
ii. Susie M. Simons, born June 11, 1875; married a Mr. Curry who resided in Southern California. Two daughters (Curry).

143. (Shalor Nelson[5], Zopher[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Shalor Nelson Viets, son of Zopher and Tacy (Hillyer) Viets, was born in Williamsfield, Ohio, January 4, 1837; married Catharine Gillett in Cherry Valley, Ohio, July 22, 1862. Occupation, farmer; education, academic. He served as postmaster in Unionville, Ohio, from 1888 to 1893. He and his wife afterwards lived in Madison, Ohio. He died December 11, 1923; his wife died May 16, 1912. Children:

286. i. Eva Sophia, born May 4, 1864.
287. ii. Jessie M., born August 20, 1865.
288. iii. Mabel Tacy, born October 25, 1866.
289. iv. Kathleen L., born March 16, 1869.

144. (Gaylor G.[5], Zopher[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Gaylor G. Viets, son of Zopher and Tacy (Hillyer) Viets, was born in Williamsfield, Ohio, August 24, 1840; married September 8, 1868 in Kingsville, Ohio, Ella M. King. Education, academic; church connection, Presbyterian. He served as postmaster in Kingsville, Ashtabula County, Ohio, from 1893 to 1897. He was also a clerk in the railroad freight department and a cigar manufacturer. He died April 30, 1899; his widow died the following year. Child:

290. i. Helen, adopted daughter, born October 6, 1873.

145. (Sarah[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Sarah Viets, daughter of Abner Jr. and Sarah (Booth) Viets, was born in Granby, March 7, 1794; married August 20, 1815 Benjamin Perkins of Ashford. She died in Greene, New York, July 9, 1867. Children:

i. Chaplin Viets Perkins, born May 31, 1816; married Rhoda Sweetland of Freetown, New York, in 1843 and died August 30, 1849.
ii. Mary Perkins, born December 11, 1817 in Springfield, Massachusetts; died in Sheffield, Massachusetts, October 8, 1823.
iii. Sarah Perkins, born October 26, 1819 in Springfield; married Lucius T. Darby of Greene, New York, on September 30, 1838 and

died August 7, 1855. Three sons (Darby).

iv. Benjamin Perkins, born February 3, 1822 in Springfield; died July 7, 1857.

v. Mary Sophia Perkins, born July 29, 1826 in Sheffield, Massachusetts; married May 24, 1849 Henry C. Maynard, of Greene, New York. She died August 1894 in Binghamton, New York.

vi. Caroline Perkins, born November 25, 1828 in Greene; married November 6, 1851 Jefferson Kingman of Cincinnatus, New York; they resided in Binghamton, New York.

146. (Rebecca[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Rebecca Viets, daughter of Abner Jr. and Sarah (Booth) Viets, was born in Granby September 4, 1796; married in Granby February 2, 1817 Chandler Hawley, born February 27, 1797. She died in Trumbull County, Ohio, June 25, 1871. Children:

i. Mary Hawley, born November 13, 1817; married February 25, 1836 Isaac Smith, who was born in Beaver, Pennsylvania, in 1810 or 1811, son of William V. and Sarah E. Smith. They resided in Fowler, Ohio, where all of their children were born. Mrs. Smith died December 14, 1889 and Mr. Smith on August 26, 1903. Five children (Smith).

ii. Samantha Hawley, born July 19, 1819; married October 23, 1839 Loren Sigler. She died November 28, 1883. Two children (Sigler).

iii. Chauncey Hawley, born October 16 or December 10, 1821; married Mary Manley of Mecca, Ohio, who was born May 8, 1831, daughter of Asa and Mary (Merrick) Manly. Mr. Hawley died December 10, 1853. Two children (Hawley).

iv. Sally Hawley, born September 1, 1823; married Aurorah Hayes, born in Granby, April 24, 1818. Mrs. Hayes died September 29, 1863. Six children (Hayes).

v. Orpha Hawley, born February 14, 1826. According to the Hawley records and Trowbridge Genealogy, 1908 she married first, John Trowbridge, born July 24, 1824 in Palmyra, Ohio, son of Wheeler and Catherine (Shaw) Trowbridge. He died ca 1851. She married second, a Mr. Abels, and third, Ephraim Post, on May 10, 1855. He was born in Cortland, Ohio, November 13, 1828 and died December 8, 1908. Mrs. Post died September 2, 1870. Five children (Post).

vi. Watson Hawley, born April 10, 1830 in Trumbull County; married Lemira Doud. He died July 22, 1853 in Trumbull County. One son, died young (Hawley).

147. (Mary[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary "Polly" Viets, daughter of Abner Jr. and Sarah (Booth) Viets, was born in Granby, February 25, 1798; married there May 20, 1816 George Sigler, one of the first settlers of Fowler, Ohio, who died December 3, 1837 age forty-five; she married second, Asa Manley, and died July 3, 1876. Child:

i. Almira Sigler, born July 12, 1822; died September 28, 1875; married Curtis Hall of Fowler, who died November 12, 1898. One daughter (Hall).

148. (Angeline[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Angeline Viets, daughter of Abner Jr. and Sarah (Booth) Viets, was born in Granby, May 4, 1800 and died in Fowler, Ohio, September 9, 1857. She married April 4, 1824 Alanson Taylor, the youngest of eight children, born in Great Barrington, Massachusetts, August 24, 1799. Mr. Taylor's father gave him one hundred acres of land in Ohio on condition that he would clear and settle. Across the highway from this land lived Miss Angeline Viets with her married sister, Mrs. Polly Sigler. Here Alanson Taylor boarded, and being so far from home, naturally planned to have one of his own. Mr. Taylor died at Fowler, March 18, 1842. Children:

i. Hannibal Taylor, born July 30, 1825; married June 2, 1850 or 1852 Belinda Lambert of Windsor, died August 1, 1894 in Neodesha, Kansas. Had at least one son (Taylor).
ii. Sarah Ann Taylor, born July 16, 1827; married Howell Coe of South Newbury, Ohio, on October 23, 1853. She died in South Newbury, January 10, 1911.
iii. Edgar Taylor, born April 16, 1829; died October 27, 1890 in Fowler; married March 5, 1854 in Fowler. No children.
iv. Allison Taylor, born February 4, 1832; married in Gustavus, Ohio; died November 25, 1902 in Traverse City, Michigan.
v. Otis Taylor, born March 18, 1834; died in Fowler, January 16, 1915; married in Fowler, August 20, 1854.
vi. Byron Taylor, born April 15, 1836; married Amyrilla Wilson in Johnson, Ohio, on October 4, 1857. She died young, and Mr. Taylor married second, Sally Scoville. Byron Taylor and family lived in Vienna, Ohio. Two children by first wife, one by second (Taylor).
vii. Lathrop Taylor, born March 10, 1838; died February 2, 1863 in Nashville, Tennessee.
viii. Alonson Taylor, born January 20, 1841; married February 18, 1862 in Vienna, Ohio. Mr. Taylor died December 4, 1908 in Traverse City, Michigan.

149. (Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Byron Viets, son of Abner Jr. and Sarah (Booth) Viets, was born in Granby, January 25, 1802 and died in West Salem, Wisconsin, April 28, 1869. He married in Fowler, Ohio, April 28, 1828 Milla Kingsley, born July 18, 1805 in Becket, Massachusetts, daughter of John F. and Sabrina (Burchard) Kingsley. She died April 27, 1893 in New Whatcom [now Bellingham], Washington.

In early life Byron Viets was a peddler traveling through the South. In 1822 he moved with his mother to Fowler, Ohio, where he owned a store and a large farm. About 1845, hearing of the glories of Wisconsin, he sold out and with

his wife, some of the smaller children, and a few household goods, all in a large covered wagon, he journeyed to Wisconsin overland through Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, and located at Waupun, Wisconsin, where the youngest of the eight children, Cassius Marcellus, was born. The family were many months on the road through a wild and unsettled country full of hostile Indians and dangerous animals, and endured many hardships. After remaining in Wisconsin a while, they became dissatisfied and returned to Ohio the way they came. They made the trip back and forth several times, evidently in search of Utopia, until about 1850 when they located in the lovely LaCrosse River valley, the Eden spot of Wisconsin, the place Mr. Viets had so long sought. They settled at Burns first, then at Neshonoc, LaCrosse County, on a large farm. Mr. Viets was content to spend the balance of his days here, and his eight children were soon gathered around him in various occupations: mercantile, farming, stock-raising, etc.

In 1859 the railroads began to pierce the rich agricultural regions of Wisconsin. The C. W. and St. Paul, being first to discover the LaCrosse valley, ran a few miles south of Mr. Viets' farm, and a town was located at West Salem, where he bought a good home and moved in 1865 and where he died four years later.

Mr. and Mrs. Viets were charter members of the First Congregational Church in LaCrosse, organized in 1852. "He was a very upright and honorable man, whose word was as good as his bond. He was loved and respected by all who knew him." [Viets Genealogy.] Children:

291. i. Byron Augustus, born March 14, 1829.
292. ii. Catharine, born July 5, 1831.
293. iii. Apollos Kingsley, born October 30, 1833.
294. iv. Leander, born May 14, 1836.
295. v. Mary Almira, born April 3, 1839.
296. vi. Samantha, born December 13, 1841.
297. vii. John Flavel, born January 14, 1844.
298. viii. Cassius Marcellus, born September 19, 1845.

150. (Drayton$^5$, Abner$^4$, Abner$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Drayton Viets, son of Abner Jr. and Sarah (Booth) Viets, was born in Granby June 13, 1804; lived for a while in Becket, Massachusetts, and was a farmer in Trumbull County, Ohio, where he died June 19, 1868. He married November 27, 1827 Caroline Segar of Massachusetts, who was born April 26, 1806 and died January 8, 1881. Children:

299. i. Alonzo D., born January 14, 1829.
ii. Marcia Ann, born February 19, 1830; died January 15, 1835.
300. iii. Oliver O., born February 7, 1832.
iv. Emily M., born June 22, 1834; died April 22, 1835.
v. Sarah Ann, born December 14, 1835; died August 7, 1850.
301. vi. Abner C., born June 21, 1837.
302. vii. Orville Daken, born July 14, 1838.

viii. James Dudley, born February 15, 1840; died August 20, 1840.
303. ix. Dudley Leroy, born June 21, 1845.
304. x. Henry Albert, born May 26, 1847.

151. (Oliver[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Oliver Viets, son of Abner Jr. and Sarah (Booth) Viets, was born in Granby; studied medicine, was a surgeon in the army in the Civil War; was with the army stationed on Mackinac Island, Michigan, in Lake Huron; later at Sackett's Harbor, New York; is said to have lived in Syracuse and in Watertown, New York. After he left the army he took up general practice at Woodville, New York, where he died in 1875. He married Anne Story. Children:

i. Henry, died in infancy.
305. ii. Sarah, born in 1841.
306. iii. Oliver Byron Jr., born about 1844.

152. (Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Lathrop A. Viets, son of Abner Jr. and Sarah (Booth) Viets, was born in Granby, December 2, 1816 and died at Parker's Prairie, Minnesota, July 16, 1883. He married February 15, 1836 his cousin Lavinia Kellogg, daughter of Enoch and Eunice (Viets) Kellogg [see No. 58], born February 27, 1814 and died April 6, 1861 in Burns, Wisconsin. Mr. Viets removed in 1850 from Ohio to Burns, where he was for many years engaged in the mercantile business and farming. He also lived in Wadena and at Parker's Prairie. He married second, Julia M. Avery, on October 29, 1862. Children:

i. Lavinia, born March 5, 1837; died March 20, 1837.
307. ii. Annis, born March 30, 1838.
308. iii. Henry Leslie, born March 18, 1840.
iv. Eunice, born March 20, 1842; died August 19, 1843.

153. (Deidamia[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Deidamia Viets, daughter of Benoni and Esther (Dewey) Viets, was born about 1801; married March 23, 1826 Alonzo Edwards. Went west. No further record. Child:

i. Frank Edwards.

154. (Eliza A.[5], Benoni[2], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Eliza A. Viets, daughter of Benoni and Esther (Dewey) Viets, born about 1806; married October 15, 1826 Nelson Felch, a steelyard maker, of Mansfield, Connecticut, and later of New Harmony, Indiana. He was born December 6, 1803, son of Henry and Anna (Royal) Felch. [VR, Mansfield.] Mrs. Felch died December 23, 1836 in Mount Vernon, Indiana. [Hale, Hartford Courant,

FHF#0003399.] Mr. Felch married second Harriet _____. By his second wife he had one son, Lewis, who died July 15, 1921. Nelson Felch died February 16, 1868. Child:

i. George M. Felch, born March 1, 1831; died September 23, 1861.

References: Cox and Cox, New Harmony, Indiana Newspaper Gleanings; Cox, Posey County Cemetery Records 1814-1979.

155. (Rudd[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Rudd Viets, son of Benoni and Esther (Dewey) Viets, was born about 1810; married May 16, 1836 in Mansfield, Marcia Gurley Dunham, born September 1, 1816 in Connecticut. He was in the clock business of Viets and Thrall in New Harmony, Indiana. They both died in Harmony Township, Posey County, Indiana, she on August 5, 1874 and he on August 15, 1879. No children of his own. However, after the death of his brother Hobart Benoni [see No. 156] in 1864 he took his son William Hobart Viets, age ten, to raise.

156. (Hobart Benoni[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Hobart Benoni Viets, son of Benoni and Esther (Dewey) Viets, was born in Granby. When a young man he went with his brother Rudd to New Harmony, Indiana, about 1836. New Harmony was a socialistic community founded by Robert Dale Owen, geologist and naturalist. Hobart Viets lived also in Kentucky. He married first, Martha Higgins, who died in 1846 and second Amelia Higgins, sister of his first wife. Mr. Viets died in 1864. Children, by first marriage:

i. Marcia Jane, died in her seventeenth year.
309. ii. Sarah Frances, born September 1, 1845.

By second marriage:

310. iii. Robert Rudd, born February 1850.
311. iv. William Hobart, born July 5, 1854.
312. v. Mary Susan, born November 29, 1856.
313. vi. John Oscar, born January 18, 1863.

157. (Julia[5], Benoni[4], Abner[2], John[2], John[1])

Julia Viets, daughter of Benoni and Esther (Dewey) Viets, was born in Granby October 31, 1821; married in Granby October 31, 1832 Justus P. Gillett of West Hartford. [VR, Granby.] Child:

i. Martha Gillett, married Benjamin W. Edwards of Hartford.

158. (Seymour Samuel[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Seymour Samuel Viets, son of Samuel and Susan (Pratt) Viets, was born in Granby, May 16, 180_ and died at the home of his daughter Sophia, near Tariffville June 27, 1886. He married in November 1820 [Southwick, Massachusetts VR, Intentions: 19 February and 12 March, 1820] Maria Olds, born in Southwick, Massachusetts, in November 1800 and died in Forester, Michigan, on February 6, 1856. [Connecticut Newspaper Obituaries, FHF#0003400.] Children:

i. Samantha, born 1822; died 1823.
314. ii. Sophia, born 1824.
315. iii. Samuel Willis, born March 1825.
iv. Elvira, born 1827; married September 9, 1845 Henry H. Olds, a baker in New Haven. She died December 1, 1845 in New Haven. [VR, New Haven.]
316. v. Ellen Jane, born November 23, 1831.
317. vi. William Chauncey, born May 22, 1834.
vii. Lewis, died age ten months.
viii. Laura Ann, born ca 1838; died December 16, 1853. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]
318. ix. Maria Salome, born June 4, 1842.
319. x. Cynthia Isabel, born June 22, 1844.
320. xi. Mary Susan, born March 17, 1846.

159. (Susan Jane[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Susan Jane Viets, daughter of Samuel and Susan (Pratt) Viets, was born July 30, 1814; married July 10, 1832 Lester Merriman of Suffield, born in the 1805s and died in middle life. His widow removed to Melville, Kansas, where she died October 13, 1888. Children:

i. William W. Merriman, born ca 1833; died unmarried.
ii. Julia Sophia Merriman, born October 29, 1837 in Suffield; married March 24, 1859 in Springfield, Massachusetts, Henry William Noll, born in 1822 near Reading, Pennsylvania. He died in Custer City, Oklahoma, August 14, 1916, his wife having died there on January 10, 1914. Four children (Noll).
iii. Jasper M. Merriman, born ca 1841 in Suffield and died there unmarried [?].
iv. Frank Merriman, born in Suffield and died there unmarried.

160. (Mary A. Louisa[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary A. Louisa Viets, daughter of Dan and Beulah (Phelps) Viets, was born February 15, 1813 in Granby; married July 3, 1845 Lemuel Holcomb [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314] of North Granby, who was born in Granby, May 21, 1808, son of Jabesh and Sophia (Godard) Holcomb. Mary Louisa Viets was his

second wife and died July 14, 1890. Lemuel's first wife was Louise Boce. [McPherson, The Holcombs, Nation Builders.] Child:

i. Clifford Lemuel Holcomb, born April 17, 1851 in North Granby; married May 21, 1874 Luella M. Talmadge, born September 27, 1853 in Southwick, Massachusetts, daughter of Thomas and Mary or Lucy Talmadge. She died April 5, 1935; Mr. Holcomb died July 7, 1933. Two children (Holcomb).

161. (Annis Samantha$^5$, Dan$^4$, Abner$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Annis Samantha Viets, daughter of Dan and Beulah (Phelps) Viets, was born February 3, 1815. She married in Granby on November 26, 1834 Aralza Griffin, born August 3, 1810, son of Mica and Hannah Griffin. They resided in West Suffield where Mrs. Griffin died December 13, 1885. Her husband died March 16, 1875. [VR, Suffield.] No children.

162. (Julia Ann$^5$, Dan$^4$, Abner$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Julia Ann Viets, daughter of Dan and Beulah (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby August 17, 1816 and died May 26, 1897. She married April 13, 1837 Richardson Griffin, son of Aristarchus Griffin. He was born November 22, 1812 and died May 21, 1898. They resided in Hungary in the town of Granby. They are both buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. Children:

i. Jennie Ellen Griffin, born December 4, 1838 in Granby; married December 20, 1883 Moses Willard Maynard of North Sudbury, Massachusetts. Mrs. Maynard attended the academy at Hancock, Massachusetts; was graduated from the Westfield, Massachusetts, Normal School, and afterwards took an advanced course; taught twenty-seven years: eleven years in the public schools of Massachusetts, at Westfield, Hadley, and North Sudbury; ten years in a select school and the academy at Granby; five years in the academy at Allen's Grove, Wisconsin. She died in Hartford April 10, 1917. Her husband preceded her in death in September 1910 at the age of ninety years.

ii. Alice Josephine Griffin, born May 23, 1849 in Granby; married September 29, 1869 Halsey Starr Holcomb, born in Torrington in 1841, son of Starr and Phebe Smith (Wright) Holcomb. He was a farmer in Granby. Mrs. Holcomb was educated in a select school in Granby and at the Westfield, Massachusetts, High School. She died June 3, 1936; Mr. Holcomb died May 5, 1921 in Granby. Two children (Holcomb).

iii. Duane Nelson Griffin, born December 24, 1853; married January 1, 1880 Ada Belle Moore of Montgomery, Massachusetts; born August 8, 1853, daughter of Horace Franklin and Eunice (Pettis) Moore. She died in St. Petersburg, Florida, on May 23, 1947. Three children (Griffin).

Obituary, Hartford Courant? November 10, 1927

Rev. D. N. Griffin, Former Hartford Minister Dies

Was Native of Granby and Once Active Prohibition Worker

Rev. Duane N. Griffin, prominent prohibition worker in the state and former pastor of the North Methodist Church, Hartford, died at his home in Granby Tuesday morning [November 8, 1927]. He was field secretary of the Connecticut prohibition committee for 15 years.

He was born in Granby December 4, 1853, son of Richardson Griffin and Julia Ann (Viets) Griffin. His first pastorate was the Unionville Methodist Church in 1882. Later he went to the Plainville Methodist Church. After that he graduated in theology at Boston University.

Returning to his ministerial work he became pastor of Trinity Methodist Church in Meriden, and then, the Hamden Methodist Church, Epworth Methodist Church, New Haven, and the North Methodist Church in Hartford. He held this pastorate from 1897 to 1899 and then moved to St. Andrew's Methodist Church, New Haven. He was there when, in 1901 he was appointed field secretary of the Connecticut prohibition committee. At this time he was also associate pastor of the South Park Methodist Church in Hartford. In 1913 he retired from active church work, but after finishing his work as field secretary of the prohibition committee, he became supply pastor for the Copper Hill Methodist Church in Granby. He retired a year ago.

During his political career Mr. Griffin was a candidate for governor, mayor of Hartford and senator-at-large on the Probibition ticket. He also served as editor for a prohibition publication.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Ada Belle (Moore) Griffin; a son, Ray Maynard Griffin, a lawyer of West Palm Beach, Fla., who was with his father at the time of his death; a daughter, Miss Janice Griffin, a musician connected with a New York musical bureau, and a sister, Mrs. H. Starr Holcomb of Granby.

Mr. Griffin's funeral will be held at his home in the Hungary District, Granby, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Dr. L. H. Dorchester, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Hartford and Rev. Dr. William D. Beach of New Haven, superintendent of the New Haven district will assist in the service. Burial will be in Granby Cemetery.

163. (Harriet Newell[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Harriet Newell Viets, daughter of Dan and Beulah (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby January 1, 1818 and died there December 20, 1897. She married September 12, 1839 Gilbert Griffin [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314], son of Aristarchus Griffin of Granby. He died December 7, 1850 [VR, Granby]. She married second in Granby, April 25, 1852 [VR, Granby], Milton Griffin, brother of Gilbert. [Milton Griffin's first wife was Adeline Holcomb whom he married May 1, 1838 (VR, Suffield).] Children, by first marriage:

i. Annis Samantha Griffin, born in Granby January 26, 1842; married March 2, 1863 Oliver L. Holcomb, son of Lemuel and Louisa (Leggett) Holcomb, born December 28, 1834 in North Granby; died in May 1899. His widow died February 4, 1916. Five children (Holcomb).

ii. Gilbert Benjamin Griffin, born July 13, 1850 in Granby; married September 27, 1871 Margaret G. Fleming, born in Scotland, British Isles, May 24, 1857, daughter of Charles and Christina (Gray) Fleming. Mr. Griffin was a farmer in Granby. He died November 1921; Mrs. Griffin died March 1915. Four children (Griffin).

By second marriage:

iii. Arthur Milton Griffin, born July 10, 1857 in Granby; married first, on December 1, 1880 Julia C. Andrus of Granby, who died June 12, 1884 age twenty-eight. He married second on December 25, 1884 Helen M. Hubbard of Granville, Massachusetts. He died in 1930. Six children (Griffin).

164. (Apollos Phelps[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

The Reverend Apollos Phelps Viets' autobiographical sketch written at the age of eighty-one:

> I was born in the town of Granby, Conn., on the twentieth of September 1819. My parents were Dan Viets and Beulah Phelps. My grandparents were Captain Abner and Mary Viets, and Deacon Judah Phelps and Abigail Bishop. My name was for Captain Apollos Phelps, a maternal uncle. Heredity, environment, and an overruling Providence have shaped the way in which I have been brought. We begin to learn as also to go astray as soon as we be born. My father was a man of parts, but not of thrift, to which he showed an indifference. His varied abilities found demand in the community, sometimes at a distance, which took him much from home, to the neglect of the farm and discomfort of the family. My mother's picture was drawn by a wise King of a former time as one who looked well to the ways of her household, and eating not the bread of idleness. Her worth was not known; she was one of "God's hidden ones," of whom the world is

not worthy, and is now a saint in heaven. She overawed me in my tender years with her views of the exceeding sinfulness of sin. She is beyond praise.

The family record is of nine children, four sisters older and four brothers younger than myself. Our home was a kind of wayside inn, a resting-place for wayfaring men, where hospitality was dispensed and strangers entertained (possibly angels unawares among them). Surely the Abrahamic spirit made its abode with us.

After home my education was in the common School, but in this my timidity was against me, and I gained very little. It was the same in the winter select schools which I attended two or three terms. I afterwards attended one term at the Hartford Grammar School, and two terms at the Institution of Suffield. In my early school days, "the eyes of my understanding being enlightened," I began to look around for help, and was directed to self-help, which I have ever found to be the best kind of help. So, from the beginning, my education has been of the chimney-corner kind. Unaided, I mastered the various geographies, grammars, arithmetics, algebras, trigonometry, surveying and botany,--all without a syllable of assistance. I took up Latin and Greek, walking six miles and back weekly to compare notes with a distinguished scholar in these languages. I went to Suffield to more thoroughly perfect myself in these studies, where I think my recitations were more than those of any other student in the Institution.

I was from the beginning religiously inclined, and with my sister, Harriet Newell, held religious services, using the Book of Common Prayer. The atmosphere in which I first breathed was decidedly of a spiritual nature, and all my home surroundings were favorable to spiritual growth. The bending of the infant twig has given direction to my being. The Bible, from the first, has been my text-book, and I believe that I have read it through fully fifty times, once annually for many years. I love the habitation of God's house, the place where his honor dwelleth; there, in my tender years, I received my most precious, as well as my most lasting, impressions. Having been much in the family of Dr. Hiram Preston, who was from Georgia, he, to my surprise, suggested, advised, and persuaded me to return with him. There I passed three years in teaching. This was a very pleasant sojourn, and made me many friends, who strongly protested against my leaving, and but for the existence of slavery, I should have remained.

While in Suffield I made many friends, both in the institution and the community, and was given the place of merit and honor among the speakers appointed for the commencement. Immediately after leaving Suffield I had three invitations to settle with churches, one from Georgia, one from Massachusetts, and one from Canton, Conn., where I went, and was afterwards ordained. On invitation I served the Church in Milford, Conn., and on invitation went to the Baptist Church in Hancock, Massachusetts, where I remained twenty years with a noble and very dear

people. During my entire pastorate here I was on the school board, and was given almost the entire charge of examining teachers and visiting the schools of the town.

About 1870 a plan was conceived for the settlement of a community in Kansas, called the New Haven Colony. By request and inclination I went out to avail myself of the government offer of a homestead to those who would accept one. The opportunity seemed good for one to till the ground, do gospel work among the pioneers, and secure a good home and refuge for old age. The colony scheme was a failure, but the country good. I enjoyed four years of pioneer life on the prairie, and organized a Baptist Church. For family reasons, and much to my regret, I was compelled to return East.

I do not forget mother earth. My early days and years were spent on a farm, in the woods and fields, among the birds and flowers, in close communion with Him who clothes the grass and paints the lily, and gives life and food to all.

I have written and published to some degree. While in Georgia I was correspondent to the New England Weekly Review of Hartford, also to many other publications on various subjects--religious, agricultural, domestic, and economic, both in prose and verse. Many of my contributions have been considered of sufficient merit to be copied into such papers as the Christian Advocate of New York, the Watchman of Boston, and others. I have published, "Voice of the Departed," an essay on Christian patriotism, and "The Cloud-veiled Throne."

I have been something of a traveler, my pilgrimage taking me into twenty-six states and Canada. The strangest land I found was among the Cumberland and adjoining mountains and valleys, a land primeval, and a primitive people, a land of wonders, the greatest of which are its people, which, to be comprehended, must be seen.

Looking back over the way I have come I see it marked by many infirmities, many things unwise and wrong, which I lament, and humbly and sincerely repent. Now, at the age of eighty-one, I am looking for the mercy of the Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life, "of whom the whole family in heaven and on earth is named."

The following tribute is from the pen of Mrs. C. A. C. Hadselle, a former parishioner, and appeared in the Pittsfield [Massachusetts] Sun:

He Giveth His Beloved Sleep.

The beautiful poem used by the Rev. Mr. Nickerson, as a finish to the fine tribute paid to the lamented Mrs. William H. Phillips, was composed by Rev. Apollos Phelps Viets, who was once prominently identified with the churches, the schools, and the best homes in the community. Responding fifty years ago to the call of the Hancock Baptist church to

become its second pastor, he brought to the work the vigor of youth, the enthusiasm of an ardent, hopeful soul, and a brilliancy of mind and intellect that soon made itself felt, not only at home, but in adjacent towns, especially Pittsfield and Williamstown, where he was often called to an exchange of pulpits, and by that means, made friends with many of the best people. Prof. Lisbon, who for years passed his vacation in Hancock, making his home in the pastor's family, and always in his place in choir, was wont to say that, whether for subject-matter, strength and elegance of diction, or doctrinal soundness, the sermons of Mr. Viets were unsurpassed by any of the noted divine of the day.

Mr. Viets has written much, both prose and verse, but in his overweening modesty, has resisted all the persuasions of his friends to collect and publish. That Mr. Viets' mental gifts are unimpaired is proven by the fact that "He Giveth His Beloved Sleep" was written after he had passed his eightieth milestone.

Apollos Phelps Viets married in Barkhamsted, October 9, 1848 Henrietta Louisa Webster, born in Bethlehem, Connecticut, June 11, 1830 who was a descendant, in the eighth generation from John Webster, fifth colonial governor of Connecticut, and mentioned with Rev. Mr. Hooker and Mr. Stone among the leading men in the first party of settlers. Mr. Viets died January 19, 1908 at age eighty-five. Mrs. Viets died in 1923. Both died in Waterbury where they spent their later years and are buried. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children:

i. Ellsworth Phelps Berkeley, born in Milford, November 12, 1850; drowned in Ansonia July 28, 1867.

321. ii. Wordsworth Bertrand, born November 18, 1854.

iii. John Charles, born November 18, 1856 in Hancock. He was a clerk in a manufacturing business in Waterbury. He died October 22, 1930 and was buried in Waterbury. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]

322. iv. Mary Louisa, born June 16, 1858 in Hancock.

v. Beulah Ruth, born June 11, 1861; died September 22, 1861.

vi. Henrietta Claribel, born in Hancock, November 28, 1863; died in 1864 in Waterbury. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]

165. (Judah Dryden$^5$, Dan$^4$, Abner$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Judah Dryden Viets, son of Dan and Beulah (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby, February 2, 1823. He married October 28, 1846 Caroline E. Rowley, born in Bloomfield January 16, 1826, daughter of Silas Rowley Jr. and Abigail Holcomb. Silas Rowley Jr. was son of Captain Silas Rowley, a revolutionary soldier, and he was son of Samuel Rowley, born in 1710 and died in Wintonbury (Bloomfield) age one hundred and one. After his marriage Mr. Viets resided for a while in East Granby where he was engaged in the wheelwright business some twelve years; removed to Bloomfield where he resided many years and was a farmer. He died March 29, 1909; his widow died October 20, 1912. Both are buried in the Bloomfield Cemetery. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]

From Hartford Courant? October 27, 1906

Bloomfield

Saturday evening the neighbors and the following friends and relatives from elsewhere, Elbert Griffen and wife of Granby, Scott Viets and wife and Willard Viets and wife of East Granby, Herbert Griswold and wife of East Hartford, and Mrs. M. A. Parsons and Mrs. Kate Green of Plainville, gathered at the Viets homestead on Filley street, Bloomfield, for the purpose of celebrating the sixtieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Judah D. Viets.

It was a complete surprise to the worthy couple. Mrs. Dwight C. Newberry and Mrs. J. H. Rowley, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Viets, had planned for the event, so that the evening was greatly enjoyed by all. At the close of the evening, after hearty congratulations had been given and a most bountiful banquet partaken of, Rev. H. M. Wolf, pastor of the Bloomfield Baptist church, read the Twenty-third Psalm and spoke a few words expressing the appreciation of all of the daily Christian home life manifested by Deacon Viets and wife in the community, and the company separated, earnestly wishing for the aged couple many more as pleasant anniversaries.

Deacon Viets and wife have lived in the same home, Bloomfield, fifty-four years and have always been greatly respected. He descended from Dr. John Viets, a highly educated physician who came to this country from Germany prior to the year 1700 and was born [died] in the town of East Granby in the year 1823 [1723]. From early youth Mr. Viets has been a devout believer in the Bible and in early life united with the Baptist Church, of which he has been a faithful member for over sixty-five years, for many years, being an honored deacon and is greatly beloved and honored by the church.

In politics he is a staunch republican, though no seeker of office. In the year 1846, October 28, he was married to Miss Caroline E. Rowley, the daughter of Captain Rowley, a brave soldier of the Revolutionary War. Together they have blessed the community with the influence of a Christian home. Three children have been born to them, Albert A. Viets, Miss Hattie Phelps, wife of J. H. Rowley, and Minnie Holcomb, wife of Dwight C. Newberry, deceased.

Children:

323. i. Albert Andrew, born December 9, 1847.
324. ii. Hattie Phelps, born April 24, 1856.
325. iii. Minnie Holcomb, born August 7, 1858.

166. (Dan Alexander[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Dan Alexander Viets, son of Dan and Beulah (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby, November 11, 1824; married first, Caroline Phelps, daughter of Orson Phelps of East Granby. He married second, February 2, 1852 Sarah Jane Phelon of West Suffield. He married third, Mary Jane Getman, born April 24, 1841 and died November 13, 1877. For his fourth wife he married Mrs. Alice Atwood Grant. She died April 8, 1930 in Hartford. [Obituary.] Mr. Viets spent his life in East Granby, where he served as selectman and held other offices. He died November 8, 1904. Mr. Viets and his third wife, Mary Jane Getman, are buried in Elmwood Cemetery in East Granby. [Tombstone inscription.] Children, by first marriage:

326. i. Walter Dwight, born 1848.
ii. Fannie, born 1849; married.

By second marriage:

327. iii. William Burdette, born November 22, 1853.

By third marriage:

328. iv. Emma L., born November 20, 1860.
329. v. Hartley A., born March 28, 1863.
330. vi. Annis S., born January 9, 1866.
vii. Whitney D., born June 17, 1868. He was for several years in charge of old Newgate prison and the copper mines, where he acted the part of a hospitable host, entertaining visitors at the historic ruins. He died July 15, 1921 in Northampton, Massachusetts and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery in East Granby.
331. viii. Willard Wesley, born July 7, 1870.
332. ix. Jessie Beulah, born April 5, 1872.
x. Raynor H., born July 20, 1875; died November 25, 1877.

By fourth marriage:

333. xi. Dan Grove, born March 1885. Known as Harry Linwood.
334. xii. Pearl Frederick, born December 1887.

167. (Joseph Franklin[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Joseph Franklin Viets, son of Dan and Beulah (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby February 6, 1827. He owned and occupied for some years the farm where Jason R. Viets afterwards lived; later he purchased the Captain John Viets' place near the Old Prison, and then bought from his brother, Benjamin E., his father's old homestead where he spent the remainder of his days. He married first, February 24, 1855 [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314] Elizabeth Spencer, born in Homer, New York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Spencer. She died in East Granby in July 1865 age twenty-nine years. Mr.

Viets married second, on October 11, 1870 Angeline Chapin, born July 11, 1836 in Granby, daughter of Hiram and Orphia (Cannon) Chapin. She died May 8, 1915; Mr. Viets died September 13, 1903 in East Granby. Both are buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. [Chapin, The Chapin Book of Genealogical Data.] Children, by first marriage:

335. i. Lydia Estella, born December 8, 1857.
336. ii. Clarence Austin, born December 12, 1859.
iii. Nellie Maria, born October 27, 1861; died August 26, 1862.
337. iv. Anna Mary, born July 6, 1863.

By second marriage:

v. Hiram Chapin, born August 23, 1871 in East Granby and died at Daytona Beach, Florida, February 3, 1942 unmarried. He had lived there nearly thirty years. He was one of the first to inaugurate the movement for a Viets' reunion and was the treasurer for some years. He is buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. [Tombstone inscription.]

From Encyclopedia of Connecticut Biography:

Like many another man who has made a name for himself and has been a forceful, worthy citizen, he [Hiram Chapin Viets] was educated in the public schools of his native town. He worked for others a year or so before he started in business for himself. The ambition of the man is proved by the fact that he had only passed his eighteenth birthday when he bought out the business of E. P. Harvey, of North Granby. He ran the business for about three years, then wanting the experience of contact with men and affairs, he spent a year in Hartford. He returned, however, to the home town, and to his father's farm, which he carried on as long as his father lived.

Establishing himself in the confidence of his townspeople, he became postmaster in East Granby, November 1, 1904. The following year he established himself in business as a general merchant there conducting an up-to-date establishment [Viets store at East Granby]. After continuing in business for four years, he sold out his store, but has continued to hold the postmastership until the present time [ca 1920]. For some years prior to the spring of 1918 Mr. Viets was engaged in the cattle and grain business more or less extensively, but has since retired from these lines of activity. Mr. Viets is a Republican, an upright and fair minded man, interested in every public enterprise and institution. That he enjoys the trust and confidence of the townspeople goes without saying, as he has held the office of town treasurer for six years, holding both offices at the same time.

168. (Benjamin Erskine[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Benjamin Erskine Viets, youngest child of Dan and Beulah (Phelps) Viets, was born in East Granby, June 12, 1828. He was educated at the district school, at a select school in East Granby and trained himself at home in mathematics. He was a farmer of considerable energy and perseverance. His farm, which extended from the top of the mountain across a ridge of upland to the meadows a mile east, was greatly improved under his care. In 1888 leaving the farm in charge of his son, Scott B., he purchased a home in Suffield, which he improved and where he lived for several years.

Mr. Viets was for a time treasurer of the town of East Granby, but usually avoided public life because of greater love for other duties. Since early life, he was affiliated with the Baptist Church, to which he was loyal, but for many years aided in supporting the Congregational Church in East Granby.

Benjamin E. Viets married first, September 1, 1853 Anna Hubbard, daughter of Benoni and Abigail (Francis) Hubbard, born in Bloomfield, March 18, 1828. Her father, Benoni, was a son of Asa and Submit (Bishop) Hubbard. Asa was a son of Nathaniel and Mary (Cadwell) Hubbard. Nathaniel was a son of John Hubbard, the first of this line to live in Bloomfield, which was then Wintonbury Parish in the town of Windsor. John came from Hartford to Bloomfield. He was descended from an English family who were among the early settlers of Hartford and Middletown.

Anna Hubbard was educated at the public school and at the Normal School in New Britain, afterwards teaching for a time. She was a woman of gentle nature, of excellent Christian principle and character, and of correct views of life and duty. She died at her home in East Granby, June 27, 1886.

In 1890 Mr. Viets married second, Lottie M. Merriam of Hartford, daughter of Munson Merriam of West Harland. She died several years before her husband.

Mr. Viets was interested in all that was good for town or church. He was a member of the Baptist Church in Tariffville and afterwards of the Second Baptist Church in Suffield. In politics he was a staunch Republican all his life. He died at the home of his son, the Reverend Francis Viets of Waltham, Massachusetts, March 21, 1917 and interment was in the family lot in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. Children, born in East Granby:

338. i. Francis Hubbbard, born September 16, 1854.
339. ii. Edward Bradford, born January 27, 1857.
340. iii. Scott Benjamin, born May 4, 1859.

169. (Levi Clinton[5], Levi[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Levi Clinton Viets, son of Levi and Sarah (Dibble) Viets, was born January 17, 1827 in the old house owned and occupied by his grandfather, Captain Abner, and in which his father was born and died. He lived as farmers' children

lived in those days, and was sent to school as soon as old enough to attend. From fourteen to sixteen years of age he attended, during three winter terms, a private school in Granby. In 1844 when seventeen years old, he entered the Connecticut Literary Institution at Suffield, where he attended five terms.

He was a good linguist and read Caesar and Cicero, but was more interested in mathematics and the natural sciences. He was given credit by his teacher for being the best mathematician that ever entered the school. On finishing his course at Suffield, he decided not to enter college as he had little taste for the classics, had already advanced in mathematics further than any college at the time could lead him, and did not feel that he had time for his favorite pastime, scientific research. After teaching school for a time, he assisted his brother Richard in the management of their father's large farm for a period of five years. He made at farming and in the wood and lumber business a fair profit each year.

In 1856 Mr. Viets closed his business partnership with his brother and made a tour of the West, visiting various points and making investments at Sioux City, returning home in November. In April 1857 he returned West spending some time in Sioux City and Dakota City, Nebraska, a town of two or three small houses. Here he made his home for the remainder of the time which he spent in the West, making investments and engaging in business.

In 1860 he returned home as his brother, who was in poor health, needed his assistance. Until his brother's death in 1863 he assisted in carrying on the farm and remained on it until 1901 when he moved to Hartford where he died September 28, 1904.

Although Mr. Viets' business interests have been such as to ally him far more with the capitalist than with the farmer, his sympathies have been with the latter; on the farm most of his work had been done and the old place was much improved under his care and by the work of his hands. He was a staunch Republican during the Civil War, but later reasoned ably against a high protective tariff.

Levi Clinton Viets was well read, vigorous both in mind and body, a keen, original observer, and a fluent talker. As regards honesty and kindred virtues he was beyond reproach. He was never married, but cherished an interest in the ancestral history and was of great help in the work of preserving data and traditions of the Viets family.

Mr. Viets' will, dated March 21, 1904 gave $2,000 to Hartford Hospital, $1,000 to Trinity Parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Tariffville, and minor bequests amounting to about $11,000 to various relatives of the Viets family. It is estimated that the property amounted to $250,000-$300,000.

From the Hartford Times, October 4, 1904:

> . . . I give, devise and bequeath all the residue and remainder of my property, both real and personal, whatsoever and wheresoever situated, to

Yale University, a corporation located in New Haven, Conn., in perpetual trust to be called the "Viets Fund," to hold, invest and reinvest, and to expend each year two-thirds of the annual income of said fund for the promotion of the study of the physical, natural and mathematical sciences in the Sheffield Scientific School, a department of Yale University.

The remaining one-third of the annual income shall be added to the principal of said fund, and as soon as the said annual income, derived from said fund and its yearly accretions above provided for, shall exceed the sum of $50,000, then all of the annual income derived from said fund and accretions, shall thereafter be spent for the promotion of the physical, natural and mathematical sciences in the said Sheffield School.

170. (Gervase$^5$, Luke$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Gervase Viets, son of Luke Jr. and Abigail (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby February 4, 1800; resided in the vicinity of his birth where he was a farmer. He married November 26, 1823 Esther Phelps, born December 19, 1802, daughter of Shubael and Ziba (Griffin) Phelps. She died June 29, 1864; Mr. Viets died in Granby March 15, 1839. Both are buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. Children, born in East Granby:

341. i. Martha Ann, born September 17, 1824.
ii. Gervase R., born October 6, 1826; died May 8, 1827.
342. iii. Julius G., born April 29, 1828.
343. iv. Charles Ransom, born July 15, 1830.
344. v. Abigail Emeline, born October 13, 1832.
345. vi. Virgil Eaton, born March 17, 1835.
346. vii. Emily V., born December 9, 1837.

171. (Nancy Ann$^5$, Luke$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Nancy Ann Viets, daughter of Luke Jr. and Abigail (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby near Newgate, July 3, 1801; married November 26, 1822 Warren Case of West Suffield, born April 4, 1791 and died April 30, 1871. He was a guard at Newgate Prison for ten years. Mrs. Case died at her home in West Suffield April 4, 1884. Children, born in West Suffield:

i. Jarvis W. Case, born September 2, 1823; married Ellen M. Warner, daughter of Charles (or Curtis?) and Parmelia (Cushman) Warner, born November 16, 1834. Both Mr. and Mrs. Case died in West Suffield, he in February 1903 and his widow on January 14, 1908. Mr. Case was a wheelwright for many years and carried on a large business in his shop opposite his residence. Four children (Case).
ii. Henry L. Case, born June 13, 1827; died February 10, 1897 unmarried. He was a farmer in West Suffield.
iii. Catherine Eliza Case, born November 4, 1828; married Francis Lucas of Hartford who died in May 1885. In 1900 Mrs. Lucas was residing

in Providence, Rhode Island.

iv. Mary Jane Case, born January 27, 1830; died March 12, 1854. She married David Hubbard of New York.

v. Martha Cornelia Case, born June 5, 1832; died February 18, 1837.

vi. Caroline L. Case, born May 24, 1834; died November 9, 1835.

vii. Dewitt Clinton Case, born July 22, 1841; married Emma J. Johnson, born May 22, 1861 in Middletown. She died in 1932. Mr. Case was a farmer and died in West Suffield March 21, 1901. Three children (Case).

172. (Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Henry W. Viets, son of Luke Jr. and Abigail (Phelps) Viets, was born in a farmhouse near Newgate, September 2, 1809 and died August 2, 1840. From Suffield Congregational Church records: "Henry W. Viets and Lucia L. King married Nov. 24, 1831." Lucia L. King was born in Suffield March 13, 1813, daughter of Horatio and Lovina (Spencer) King. She married second, October 23, 1851 [Hale, FHF#0003314] Julius Phelps, and third, James Osborne. She died in 1906. Children:

347. i. William Ansel, born July 29, 1833.
348. ii. George Luke, born September 6, 1835.
349. iii. Marietta Louisa, born September 11, 1837.
350. iv. Henrietta Elizabeth, born September 6, 1839.

Reference: King, The King Family of Suffield, Connecticut.

173. (Abigail[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Abigail Viets, daughter of Luke Jr. and Abigail (Phelps) Viets, was born August 6, 1811 in Granby and died March 10, 1835. She married Eaton Phelps. Children:

i. Franklin Phelps, died age six years.

ii. Abigail Phelps, born March 4, 1835 in Granby; married September 18, 1853 Joseph A. Root, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Root of Woodbridge. He passed most of his life in Hartford, but later years resided in Barkhamsted. He died April 28, 1906. Mrs. Root died January 21, 1884. Seven children (Root).

174. (Ansel[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Ansel Viets, son of Luke Jr. and Abigail (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby March 27, 1814; married June 3, 1838 Sarah Minerva Root, born in New Hartford, March 6, 1814. They were living in New Hartford in 1850. During the latter part of their lives they lived in Sandisfield, Massachusetts, where they died,

Mrs. Viets in 1881 and Mr. Viets in 1894. [Massachusetts VR, FHF#0954401 and 0954407.] Child:

351. i. Henry Jarvis, born February 12, 1844.

175. (Jane[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Jane Viets, daughter of Luke Jr. and Abigail (Phelps) Viets, was born May 9, 1816 in Granby; married May 7, 1836 Eaton Phelps [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314] after the death of his first wife, her sister Abigail [see No. 173]. Mrs. Phelps died February 21, 1889. Children:

i. Huldah Sarah Phelps, born March 1837; died September 1864. Unmarried.
ii. Franklin Phelps, born May 1839; died February 1889. Married, no children.

176. (Emeline C.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Emeline Caroline Viets, daughter of Luke Jr. and Abigail (Phelps) Viets, was born February 2, 1818 in Granby; married in Suffield November 27, 1839 Orville Parsons Case, a well-known merchant of Hartford, born in Barkhamsted November 9, 1814, son of Simeon and Naomi (Moore) Case; died May 19, 1888. Mrs. Case died March 18, 1895. Children, all except first born in Hartford:

i. Horace Orville Case, born July 27, 1841 in Feeding Hills, Massachusetts; married in Hartford September 10, 1862 Laura Ann Tucker, born September 10, 1841 in Greenport, Long Island, New York, daughter of Elias and Mary L. (Bates) Tucker. She died February 8, 1910; Mr. Case died September 25, 1912. Four children (Case).
ii. Sarah Jane Case, born August 1843; died August 1845.
iii. Charles Henry Case, born September 4, 1845; died August 6, 1867.
iv. James Harper Case, born June 10, 1848; died June 25, 1913, unmarried.
v. Albert Marcus Case, born February 12, 1852; died in infancy.
vi. Albert Marcus Case, born February 11, 1854; married Ella J. Goodhue, who died March 9, 1923. Mr. Case died in Hartford, September 13, 1938. No children.
vii. William Arthur Case, born January 10, 1857; died June 17, 1858.
viii. Frederick Everett Case, born December 16, 1861; died December 3, 1881.

Reference: Moore, Andrew Moore of Poquonock and Windsor and His Descendants.

177. (Amoret E.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Amoret E. Viets, daughter of Luke Jr. and Abigail (Phelps) Viets, was born in East Granby May 31, 1821; married first, Wells Loomes of Manchester on October 25, 1843 in Hartford [VR, Hartford] and second, William Card. She moved to

Mexico in 1843 and to California in 1848. She died in San Jose, California, January 29, 1901. Children:

i. William Card,
ii. Gertrude Wyoming Card, married James A. Provines, San Jose.
iii. Nellie Frances Card, married William H. Hough, Elmira, California.

178. (John Jay[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

John Jay Viets, son of Captain John and Abigail (Eno) Viets, was born in East Granby September 22, 1806; was a graduate of Wilbraham Academy, and taught many terms in Simsbury. When a boy he lived one season with his grandfather, Luke Viets. He was for many years a merchant, and a well-known citizen in East Granby center where he died December 10, 1885.

He married May 6, 1851 Jane Wadsworth [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314], daughter of Timothy and Mary (Gillette) Wadsworth of Farmington. She was born December 11, 1824 and died in East Granby December 26, 1885 fifteen days after her husband. She was descended from William Wadsworth, one of the early settlers of Connecticut who came across the wilderness to Hartford in Mr. Hooker's company. His name is on the monument behind Center Church, Hartford. Children:

i. Frank Wadsworth, born April 6, 1853; died April 5, 1854.
352. ii. Jennie Abigail, born March 31, 1855.
353. iii. Carl Jay, born June 14, 1857.
354. iv. Hubert Wadsworth, born March 8, 1859.

179. (Imlay Bird[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Imlay Bird Viets, son of Captain John and Abigail (Eno) Viets, was born in East Granby December 19, 1808 and died October 19, 1875 in New Britain where he resided and where he was engaged for some years in the real estate business. He married first, June 25, 1838 Julietta Andrews Hart [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314], daughter of Cyrus and Elizabeth (Clark) Hart. She died February 12, 1842.

From Granby vital records: "Mrs. I. B. Viets, 22, died in Turkey Hills in 1842. Buried in New Britain. Infant son of I. B. Viets buried in New Britain 1842." Mr. Viets married second, June 28 1843 Angeline Clark Hart, sister of his first wife. She died September 13, 1890 and was buried in New Britain. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children, by first marriage:

i. Infant son, died 1842.

By second marriage:

ii. John Hart, born April 8, 1844 in New Britain; died February 7, 1845. Buried in New Britain. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]
355. iii. Mary Adelia, born March 10, 1847.

356. iv. Elnora Julietta, born July 22, 1849.
v. Imlay Dumont, born March 20, 1851 in New Britain; died January 22, 1857.
vi. Annie Elizabeth, born February 28, 1854 in New Britain; died June 23, 1854.
357. vii. Ida Eugenie, born October 19, 1856.
viii. Angie Lillie, born June 30, 1859 in New Britain; died August 2, 1862.
ix. Carrie A., born December 29, 1863; died August 5, 1864.

Reference: Andrews, Genealogical History of Deacon Stephen Hart.

180. (Abi Lavinia$^5$, John$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Abi Lavinia Viets, daughter of Captain John and Abigail (Eno) Viets, was born in East Granby, April 20, 1810; married November 10, 1841 Almerin Pratt, born in Granby, October 20, 1811, son of Nathaniel and Candace (Wilcox) Pratt. They resided for a time in East Granby, removing in 1869 to Cleveland, Ohio, where Mrs. Pratt died August 26, 1884; Mr. Pratt died in Denver, Colorado, May 21, 1899. Children:

i. William Jay Pratt, born April 28, 1842 in East Granby; married December 5, 1872 in Painesville, Ohio, Mary A. Russell, born in Painesville August 22, 1848, daughter of David and Anne Maria (Holmes) Russell. She died August 16, 1924; Mr. Pratt died January 28, 1923. He was a wholesale grocer in Des Moines, Iowa. Five children (Pratt).
ii. Henry Pratt, born 1844; died 1852.

181. (Chauncey Eno$^5$, John$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Chauncey Eno Viets, son of Captain John and Abigail (Eno) Viets, was born October 3, 1812 in East Granby; married first, May 31, 1837 [VR, Suffield] Esther Dennison, daughter of Charles and Delilah Dennison. She died March 25, 1839 and was buried in East Granby Cemetery. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] He married second, October 31, 1839 [VR, Chester, Massachusetts] Nancy Nooney, born February 15, 1817 in Chester, daughter of James Jr. and Abigail Nooney. Chauncey Eno was a farmer and salesman. He occupied his father's old place west of the mountain, where he made extensive improvements. He died July 22, 1876 in East Granby. His widow died in Chester in 1902. [Massachusetts VR, FHF#0954712.] No children.

182. (Mary Adelia$^5$, John$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Mary Adelia Viets, daughter of John and Abigail (Eno) Viets, was born February 19, 1819 in East Granby; married March 16, 1848 Edward H. Bowers, who died March 1872. The family resided in Hartford. She died May 15, 1902. Children:

i. Eddy Rollin Bowers, born October 22, 1849; died April 1856.
ii. Alice Augusta Bowers, born January 28, 1852; married G. R. Clarke. Mrs. Clarke died in Hartford February 23, 1925. One son, died age 21 (Clarke).
iii. William D. Bowers, an artist. He died December 27, 1899.

183. (James Rollin$^5$, John$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

James Rollin Viets, son of John and Abigail (Eno) Viets, was born in East Granby September 20, 1821 and died there July 14, 1896 age seventy-four.

Obituary, the Hartford Courant, July 1896

In the death of James Rollin Viets, whose funeral was held Thursday at his late residence, the town of East Granby loses one of its most prominent citizens and business men of the valley, one who for a half century has been actively and honorably associated with them. Mr. Viets was born at East Granby September 20, 1821. He was the son of Captain John Viets of the same town, and Abigail Eno of Simsbury. He was descended from Stephen Hart, who came with Hooker from Dorchester, Massachusetts to Hartford, and was the first deacon of the Hartford church. He was the great grandson of Captain John Viets, who, when the Revolution broke out, was appointed the first military keeper of old Newgate prison.

Early in life Mr. Viets entered the employ of the firm of Eno and Phelps of New York, which was then composed of his cousins, John Jay Phelps and Amos R. Eno,--the latter of whom is still living. Being anxious to obtain a more liberal education, and cherishing a desire to enter the ministry, he afterwards attended in succession a private school in Amherst, Mass., the Hopkins Grammar School of Hadley, Mass., and joined the first class of Williston Seminary, Easthampton, Mass., which had just been opened, and where he prepared to enter college in the sophomore class.

He later turned again to business pursuits, but always preserved his literary tastes, and was a wide reader of the better literature. After leaving Williston Seminary he bought out his brother, John Jay Viets, and formed a partnership with James O. Allen, lately of Springfield, and a few years later bought the entire interest of his partner, and for about thirty years continued in business alone.

He had extensive business relations, and was everywhere recognized as a man of sterling worth, of utmost integrity, honesty, and purity of character. His judgment was often sought, and his counsel was considered safe and wise. He united with the Congregational Church in early life, and for a period of thirty years served as treasurer of the parish. In politics he was an ardent Republican. His convictions were clear, deep, and strong. He held slavery, intemperance, gambling, and kindred evils

in utter detestation, and did not shrink from the fullest expression of his views. For many years he held the office of postmaster.

It may be added that Deacon Stephen Hart of Hartford, from whom Mr. Viets was descended, came from Braintree, England, and was buried in the burying ground of the Center Church, Hartford, where his name is recorded on the historic monument. Mr. Viets was also descended on his mother's side from James Eno, who came to Windsor in 1670. In common with others of this branch he was descended from William Phelps who settled in Windsor in 1635 and from Ezekiel Phelps who fought in the Revolution.

Mr. Viets married September 14, 1852 Cordelia Tryphena Rouse of Saratoga Springs, New York. Mrs. Viets was the fourth child of Joel Chapman and Emily (Henderson) Rouse. She was born January 5, 1827 at Bennington, Vermont. Among her ancestors are numbered many of the early settlers in America, several of whom became well known for their distinguished services to their country. She is descended from Caspar Rouse, "yeoman," who came from Paltz, Germany, and settled at Cold Springs on the Hudson about 1730. He was enrolled as one of the first five hundred freeholders in New York State. His son, Jonathan Rouse, resided at Pittstown, Rensselaer County. He was one of the promoters of the Erie Canal, postmaster, judge of the county court, and a member of the New York legislature.

Among her ancestors were James Breckenridge, a Scotch covenanter who emigrated to Ireland, and in 1720 to America. He was one of the founders of the state of Vermont, served in the militia in 1764, was a member of the Provincial Congress, 1775 and founder of the First Church of Bennington. He was appointed special commissioner to England to settle the boundary claims between New York and Vermont.

Another ancestor, Thomas Henderson, married Jerret Breckenridge, daughter of the above. A Scotsman of the Clan of Gunn, on coming to America he settled in Ware, Massachusetts, served in the French and Indian War in 1757, and was at the battle of Mount Independence. He removed to Bennington, Vermont, in 1764 where he bought a large farm at the top of what came to be known as "Henderson Hill," down which the troops marched to fight the memorable battle in which every able-bodied man in town engaged. He was one of the members of the First Church in that town, and shared the "honorable pew" with Deacon Webb. He married Tryphena Sloan, daughter of John Sloan, who served in General Fellows' Brigade, doing duty at Albany, and died October 22, 1778.

Mrs. Viets is also a descendant of Thomas Dewey, who came from England in 1633 with the first settlers of Dorchester, Massachusetts, and was one of the founders of Windsor, Connecticut, and is thus in direct descent from Alfred the Great, William the Conqueror, and other kings of England and Scotland.

Mrs. Viets was educated at the Old Academy, Bennington, and at Troy Female Seminary, which was founded by Emma Willard, the distinguished pioneer of education for women. To this school, its inspiring memories, and its present work, she has cherished a warm devotion. After leaving Troy she taught

several private schools, and developed an abiding fondness for the English classics. She is a member of the Congregational Church in East Granby, of the Emma Willard Association of New York City, and of the Louise St. Clair Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

From the Hartford Courant, October 1916

> The work of Mrs. Viets in local church and for the educational life of the community was earnest and efficient and the home became a center of moral influence and power. After the death of Mr. Viets in 1896 she removed to Detroit where she lived with her daughter Emily, who was superintendent of the Kindergarten system in the city schools. Mrs. Viets enjoyed the vigorous use of all her mental powers to the end of her long life, was ever deeply interested in all Christian work, and was an indefatigable reader of the best literature, especially in the direction of personal biography and Italian Art.
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> She died in Salem, Massachusetts, October 3, 1916. Her funeral was held in the church in East Granby, and the interment was in the cemetery near by.

Children, born in East Granby:

358. i. John Berthrong, born June 27, 1853.
359. ii. Helen Mary, born August 17, 1854.
360. iii. Henry Rouse, born February 17, 1856.
361. iv. Frederick Henderson, born July 7, 1858.
362. v. James Rollin Jr., born December 2, 1860.
363. vi. Arthur Eno, born August 27, 1864.
364. vii. Emily Henderson, born November 14, 1865.
viii. Julia Gracie, born July 14, 1868; died November 19, 1868.

**184.** (George Watson$^{5}$, George$^{4}$, Luke$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

George Watson Viets, son of Captain George and Charlotte (Rice) Viets, was born in East Granby December 2, 1809 and died December 1, 1864. He was a farmer and resided in the stone house built by his father near the schoolhouse on the Granby and East Granby road. He married Delia E. King, born June 6, 1810 and died May 24, 1865. Both are buried in East Granby. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children, born in East Granby:

i. Esther Antoinette, born 1834; died March 26, 1837.
365. ii. Eliza Ann, born March 11, 1836.
366. iii. George Byron, born July 17, 1837.
367. iv. Antoinette Cynthia, born August 7, 1840.
368. v. Charles Wilbur, born July 14, 1844.
369. vi. Alfred Watson, born September 30, 1850.

185. (Allen[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Allen Viets, son of Captain George and Charlotte (Rice) Viets, was born in the Captain John Viets' house March 24, 1813. He lived on a farm just south of Newgate Prison, where he died September 5, 1848. He married April 1, 1840 Lorinda Smith, born in New York state December 9, 1821, daughter of Leonard Jr. and Abigail (Whalley) Smith, who was a descendant of the regicide Edward Whalley. She married a few years after her husband's death, Morton Griffin, by whom she had five children.

From newspaper clipping, source unknown

> Mrs. Lorinda Griffin at the time of her death March 22, 1907 was one of the oldest residents of East Granby. She was very energetic, possessed of a strong constitution and able to attend to her household affairs to the last. She was the oldest living member of the Copper Hill Methodist Church, having been a member for fifty-five years.

Children, born in East Granby:

370. i. Seth Allen, born April 17, 1842.
ii. Laura Lorinda, born December 7, 1845; died August 31, 1848.
iii. Harriet Laura, born December 26, 1847; died January 4, 1857.

186. (Esther Keziah[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Esther Keziah Viets, daughter of Captain George and Charlotte (Rice) Viets, was born in the Captain John Viets' house June 18, 1816; married October 19, 1834 Dr. Hiram Preston, and died in Syracuse, New York, February 1891, having resided in Syracuse twenty-three years. She was a devout Christian, a member of St. Paul's Cathedral (Episcopal), and led a life of self-sacrifice, devotion, and unostentatious charity.

Dr. Hiram Preston was born in Cazenovia, New York, March 14, 1808 and died in Jacksonville, Florida, February 21, 1877. Dr. and Mrs. Preston, following their marriage, resided for a time in Georgia where she was a teacher. Most of Dr. Preston's business life was spent in Hartford, where he practiced dentistry and made many friends.

Obituary, the Hartford Times, February, 1877

> The announcement of the death of Dr. Hiram Preston will bring back to many in Hartford and vicinity memories of the kindly, honest face of their old friend who practiced dentistry at No. 18 State St. for about twenty years prior to 1864. The doctor came to Hartford a comparative stranger, and soon secured a large practice, and made many warm friends by his genial manners and careful, skillful operations. The columns of the Times of 1847-8 occasionally gave to the public articles from his pen on the care of the teeth, and hints as to the means of their

preservation; and those articles with added chapters were subsequently published in book form, dedicated by the author "to that portion of the community who think."

As a dental instructor Dr. Preston was recommended in 1857 by fifteen regular physicians in Hartford and vicinity, who had employed him professionally as competent to give instruction "in every department of this important but nice and difficult art"; and after we find among the number who studied under him, Dr. Charles O. Hall, now a resident of Nice, France, and one of the most skillful and successful of the famous dentists of Europe.

About 1863 on account of failing health, Dr. Preston retired from practice, and removed to Auburn, N.Y., and soon decided to make Syracuse his home. There he has lived with abundant means to enjoy life if he had only the one great blessing which money cannot purchase, good health. In hope that a change of air and scene would benefit him, the Florida trip was taken.

Children:

i. A son Preston, born in 1836; died in infancy.
ii. Charles Preston, born August 27, 1846 in the ballroom of the Captain John Viets' house; married February 1876 Ella James of Syracuse. Mr. Preston was a merchant for a number of years dealing principally in gloves. He died in Syracuse February 17, 1916. His widow died several years later. No children.

187. (Charlotte$^5$, Roger$^4$, Luke$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Charlotte Viets, daughter of Roger and Maria (Hollenbeck) Viets, was born September 4, 1819 [DAR application of Edith Hart Sawyer, #131609] probably in Albany, New York, where her father was a practicing physician. After the death of her mother, her father moved with his children to Lewiston, Fulton County, Illinois. She married first, January 1, 1835 Patrick Hart, born in 1807 and died in 1838. Her second husband was Jake Fisher, captain of the "Swisboy," a boat on the Illinois river. The family lived in Liverpool, Fulton County, from about 1850 until 1880 when Mr. Fisher died. His widow is said to have died about 1897. Children:

i. Albert James Hart.
ii. Henry Luke Hart, born in 1838; died in 1912. He married May 7, 1876 Emmaline Matthews. [DAR application #131609 of Edith Hart Sawyer.]
iii. Georgia Fisher. [Reunion letters, Edith Hart Sawyer, 1962.]
iv. John Fisher. [Reunion letters, Edith Hart Sawyer, 1962.]
v. Roger Fisher, died in young manhood.

## SIXTH GENERATION

188. (Henry Sheldon[6], Henry[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Henry Sheldon Viets, son of Henry and Sarah (Boise) Viets, was born in Huntington, Ohio, February 4, 1839. He married, December 27, 1865 at Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois, Louise Little, daughter of Henry Gilman and Fidelia (Stoddard) Little. They resided for many years at Grinnell, Iowa, which was also the home of Mrs. Viets' parents. Mr. Viets was a soldier for the Union in the Civil War in Co. C, 176th Infantry Regiment, Ohio Volunteers, appointed sergeant September 13, 1864 and discharged at Nashville, Tennessee, June 14, 1865. Mr. and Mrs. Viets observed their golden wedding at their home in Grinnell on December 27, 1915.

Mrs. Viets' father, Henry Gilman Little, was born in Goffstown, New Hampshire, in 1813 and died in Grinnell, November 3, 1900. He was of Puritan blood. His revolutionary grandfather stood with the "embattled farmers" at Lexington to fire "the shot heard round the world," and numerous earlier ancestors were members of the provincial and colonial congresses and men of influence and standing. In one branch of his mother's ancestry there had been a line of deacons unbroken for a hundred years, and many clergymen of his blood were prominent in the Massachusetts Congregationalism of early days.

Mr. Little, leaving home with his parents' blessing at the age of sixteen, lived for a time in Wethersfield, Connecticut, in the family of his mother's brother, the Reverend Dr. Tenney, and afterwards in Newington. He went to Illinois in 1835 and the next year brought a young wife from the comforts of a Connecticut home to dwell in a log cabin of one room. The place where they settled, by the energy of Mr. Little and others, became the thriving city of Kewanee. He was surveyor, teacher, lecturer, builder, and in the early days a hunter. He held many public offices and was considered a man of good judgment and wise counsel.

Henry Sheldon Viets moved with his family in 1867 to Grinnell, Iowa, partly for the educational advantages of the place, and partly because he enjoyed using his influence in shaping the character of a new community. He aided in church and other benevolent work, and served as mayor of the city. Children:

i. Helen Maude, born December 1, 1866 in Kewanee, Illinois; died December 23, 1880.
ii. Eddie, born July 31, 1868 in Grinnell, Iowa; died in infancy.
371. iii. Henry Little, born November 13, 1869.
iv. Mary, born June 15, 1872 in Grinnell; died in infancy.
v. Sara Elizabeth, born June 15, 1875 in Grinnell. Resided in Long

Beach, California. Unmarried. She died April 18, 1959 in Los Angeles County. [California VR, FHM#6332561.]

vi. Louise Stoddard, born July 25, 1877 in Grinnell; died November 17, 1878.

189. (Sarah Elizabeth$^{6}$, Henry$^{5}$, Henry$^{4}$, Henry$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Sarah Elizabeth Viets, daughter of Henry and Sarah (Boise) Viets, was born November 21, 1844 in Huntington, Ohio; married in Oberlin, Ohio, September 5, 1866 James Wait Clarke, born in Sardinia, New York, June 8, 1843, son of the Reverend Elbert W. and Louisa (Steele) Clarke. He attended Oberlin College and was graduated from Yale University in 1865. He died June 19, 1905. Mrs. Clarke was graduated from Oberlin College in 1865 and died November 20, 1923. They resided in Ashland, Wisconsin. Children:

i. Helen Stanley Clarke, born March 7, 1870 in Cleveland, Ohio; died January 15, 1871.

ii. Edward Wait Clarke, born April 9, 1875 in Cleveland; died April 10, 1875.

iii. Charlotte Louise Clarke, born September 12, 1876 in Cleveland; died September 15, 1876.

iv. Edith Steele Clarke, born November 21, 1877 in Cleveland; married June 30, 1903 Walter S. Cate, a lawyer in Ashland, Wisconsin. Mrs. Cate died November 15, 1905. No children.

v. Alice Viets Clarke, born November 26, 1881 in Cleveland; died February 21, 1884.

vi. Mildred Elizabeth Clarke, born August 16, 1885 in Bismarck, Dakota Territory; married June 2, 1909 Henry Hill Fuller, born July 13, 1883 in Walnut, Illinois, son of Henry E. and Alice (Stearns) Fuller. Mr. Fuller died October 26, 1956 in London, England, while on a trip. Resided Ashland, Wisconsin. Three children (Fuller).

Reference: Boies and Wells, Descendants of David Boies of Blandford, Massachusetts.

190. (Helen Josephine$^{6}$, Henry$^{5}$, Henry$^{4}$, Henry$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Helen Josephine Viets, daughter of Henry and his second wife, Samantha (Joslin) Viets, was born in Huntington, Ohio, July 24, 1846; married in Oberlin, Ohio, December 5, 1866 George H. Fairchild, born August 9, 1844 in Oberlin, son of James Harris Fairchild, president of Oberlin College, and Mary Fletcher (Kellogg) Fairchild. He died February 9, 1894; Mrs. Fairchild died October 3, 1923 in Brooklyn, New York. Children:

i. Gertrude Viets Fairchild, born June 3, 1869; died September 15, 1870.

ii. A son, born August 11, 1871; died in infancy.

iii. Katherine May Fairchild, born August 15, 1881 in Bismarck,

Dakota Territory; married first, on June 1, 1904 Stanley Frost, born October 26, 1881 in Oberlin, Ohio, son of William Goodell and Louise (Rainey) Frost. She married second, on November 25, 1936 Scott E. Leslie. Mrs. Leslie was a graduate of Oberlin in 1903. Resided in Brooklyn, New York. Two children (Frost).

191. (Charlotte Jane$^6$, Henry$^5$, Henry$^4$, Henry$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Charlotte Jane Viets, daughter of Henry and Samantha (Joslin) Viets, was born in Huntington, Ohio, July 1 1853; married in Oberlin, Ohio, September 4, 1877 Dr. Henry Rinaldo Porter, born in Lee, Oneida County, New York, February 13, 1848. He died March 4, 1903. Mrs. Porter died in Bismarck, Dakota Territory, August 6, 1888 and was buried in Oberlin. Child:

i. Henry Viets Porter, born May 23, 1881 in Bismarck, unmarried. Resided in Brooklyn, New York.

192. (Catherine Augusta$^6$, William A.$^5$, Henry$^4$, Henry$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Catherine Augusta Viets, daughter of William Atwater and Mary Elizabeth (Pennoyer) Viets, was born July 26, 1841 in New York. She married January 24, 1866 John R. Cameron of Ottawa, Illinois. Mrs. Cameron, in later years, resided in Hood River, Oregon.

193. (Mary Punnett$^6$, William A.$^5$, Henry$^4$, Henry$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Mary Punnett Viets, daughter of William Atwater and Mary Elizabeth (Pennoyer) Viets, was born in Fishkill, New York, August 4, 1844; married December 25, 1867 Madison H. Ferris of Chicago. Children:

i. Lowther Ferris, married Maude Merrigold. Resided in Seattle in 1919.
ii. Catharine Ferris, married Sidney W. Smith.

194. (Elizabeth$^6$, Chauncey$^5$, David$^4$, David$^3$, Henry$^2$, John$^1$)

Elizabeth "Betsey" Viets, daughter of Chauncey and Clarissa (Chapin) Viets, was born in Colebrook November 23, 1823; married in Shalersville, Ohio, August 1, 1847 Dr. Isaac Coles. The family moved to Trenton (?), Missouri. Children, born in Palmyra, Portage County, Ohio:

i. Vietta Coles, born June 17, 1848; married December 3, 1865 in Mantua, Ohio, Henry Harrison Lord. Both Mr. and Mrs. Lord died in Trenton, Missouri, he on September 19, 1907 and his widow on July 29, 1914. Nine children (Lord).
ii. Fiatt Coles, born October 31, 1853; married December 1, 1877 Katie Kee, born in Logan, Ohio, a daughter of _____ and Bridget Kee. She died June 11, 1880; Mr. Coles died February 20, 1922 in Waxahachie, Texas. One daughter (Coles).

195. (Calvin[6], Chauncey[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Calvin Viets, son of Chauncey and Clarissa (Chapin) Viets, was born in Shalersville, Ohio, March 24, 1826; married May 12, 1852 in Sandisfield, Massachusetts, Mary F. Smith, born April 20, 1820 and died about 1865. He married second, Julia (Sabin) Viets, widow of his brother Miles. [VR, Trumbull County, Ohio.] Both Mr. and Mrs. Viets died in Shalersville, she in 1906 and he in 1908. Calvin Viets was listed in Colebrook, Connecticut, in the 1850 census, and in Denver, Colorado, in 1870. Children, by first marriage, born in Mantua, Ohio:

i. Rosa Jane, born May 10, 1854; died in Parkersburg, Virginia [now West Virginia], July 23, 1854. [VR, Parkersburg, West Virginia, FHF#0163924.]

372. ii. Clara Almira, born June 12, 1858.

373. iii. Emily Amelia, born October 21, 1861.

196. (Clarissa[6], Chauncey[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Clarissa Viets, daughter of Chauncey and Clarissa (Chapin) Viets, was probably born in Shalersville (date unknown). She married Royal Coit as his second wife. He was born in Shalersville, Ohio, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Coit. The family lived in Trenton, Missouri, but the parents are thought to have returned to Ohio where they died. Children:

i. Ida Coit, died young.

ii. Myra Coit, married Lemuel Robb and had a son, Royal Robb.

iii. Mary Coit, married and had children.

iv. William Coit, married and had a son and a daughter. William and his sisters Myra and Mary are thought to have died in Trenton.

v. Frank Coit, born April 28, 1865 in Cleveland, Ohio; married, September 12, 1888 Madge Lewis, born September 5, 1856 in Quincy, Illinois, daughter of H. Vivian and Mary (Price) Lewis. Mr. Coit was a retired railroad man and living in Great Falls, Montana, at the time of his death in January 1941. Two children (Coit).

197. (Miles[6], Chauncey[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Miles Viets, son of Chauncey and Clarissa (Chapin) Viets, was born October 28, 1828 in Shalersville, Ohio, and died there November 17, 1869. He married October 28, 1858 Julia Sabin, born July 26, 1838 in Shalersville, daughter of Ransom and Phoebe (Reeves) Sabin. She married, after her first husband's death, Calvin Viets. [See No. 195.] Children, born in Shalersville:

i. Grace, born July 11, 1859; died in 1866.

374. ii. Norah, born October 31, 1864.

198. (James M.[6], Ira[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

James M. Viets, son of Ira and Damaris (Hurd) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, June 5, 1832; married March 21, 1857 in Trumbull County, Ohio, Diana Haughton. After her death he married second Clarinda W. ____, born April 1855. The family lived in Hazleton Township, Shiawassee County, Michigan. [Shiawassee County, Michigan, 1900 census.] They had one child who died young.

199. (Jerusha Orinda[6], Ira[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Jerusha Orinda Viets, daughter of Ira and Damaris (Hurd) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, January 28, 1834; married September 10, 1859 Warren Charles Chalker, born in Choconut, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania, March 9, 1825, son of Daniel and Dorothy (Tingley) Chalker. He died September 23, 1888 in Freedom, Portage County, Ohio; his widow died in Freedom, March 14, 1907. Children:

i. Charles Warren Chalker, born July 28, 1863; married first, on July 28, 1896 Emma May Preston, born in Auburn, New Hampshire, May 1, 1864, daughter of _____ and Elizabeth (Brown) Preston. She died in Freedom February 8, 1901. He married second, Mrs. Carrie Louise (Carson) Chalker [?] who died October 7, 1939. Mr. Chalker died in September 1952. Two children (Chalker).

ii. Anna Jerusha Chalker, born January 1, 1865; married April 14, 1886 Heber Darius Tingley, born April 14, 1862 in Harford, Pennsylvania, son of Freeman and Julina (Tingley) Tingley. Mrs. Tingley died December 20, 1948. Four children (Tingley).

iii. Truman Daniel Chalker, born September 9, 1872 in Mantua, Portage County, Ohio. He married in Robberson Prairie, Green County, Missouri, May 21, 1900 Alva Belle Sims, born July 3, 1876, daughter of Dotson A. and Harriette Isabelle (Robberson) Sims. Mr. Chalker died January 18, 1964 in Independence, Montgomery County, Kansas. Four children (Chalker).

Reference: Ancestral Computer File, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.

200. (Rosanna[6], Ira[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Rosanna Viets, daughter of Ira and Damaris (Hurd) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, October 10, 1837; married on May 6, 1862 in Trumbull County, Ohio, Zachariah Kibler, born June 25, 1836 and died about 1910. His widow died in 1922. Children:

i. Caroline Kibler, born in Southington April 16, 1863; married December 21, 1890 George Arthur Gleason, born June 8, 1861 in Defiance County, Ohio, and died July 1, 1941 in Cleveland, Ohio.

His widow died in Lorain, Ohio, July 20, 1945. One adopted daughter (Gleason).

ii. Julia Kibler, born in Southington in 1867; died June 1900 unmarried.

iii. Nellie Kibler, born in Nelson, Ohio, March 6, 1881; married June 6, 1900 Aubrey Vernon Strock, born February 26, 1877 in Newton Falls, Ohio, son of Comfort C. and Rilla (Ritter) Strock. Resided in Miami, Florida. Two children (Strock).

201. (**Almira**$^{6}$, **Ira**$^{5}$, **David**$^{4}$, **David**$^{3}$, **Henry**$^{2}$, **John**$^{1}$)

Almira Viets, daughter of Ira and Damaris (Hurd) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, June 5, 1840; married November 11, 1860 Chauncey Culp, born in Mecca, Ohio, son of Thomas and Sally (Page) Culp. He died in Ohio in 1916; his widow died in 1933. Children, born in Southington:

i. Emma D. Culp, born ca 1864; died January 20, 1875.

ii. Emery Culp, born December 17, 1867; married June 4, 1891 Laura Kincaid, born February 12, 1867 in Champion, Ohio, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Story) Kincaid. Mr. Culp died January 27, 1913 in Southington. Three children (Culp).

iii. Charles Emerson Culp, born November 28, 1870; died February 2, 1875.

iv. Frank Eli Culp, born June 23, 1876; married June 1900 Mary E. Blackburn, born April 4, 1880 in Deerfield, Ohio, daughter of David Carr and Henrietta (Joy) Blackburn. Resided in Orange City, Florida. One son (Culp).

v. Ira Ernest Culp, born July 18, 1879; married July 8, 1907 Ina Steinbeck, born October 18, 1888 at Alum Bridge, West Virginia, daughter of George and Tillie (Bush) Steinbeck. She died May 1, 1940. Three children (Culp).

202. (**Alvin J.**$^{6}$, **Ira**$^{5}$, **David**$^{4}$, **David**$^{3}$, **Henry**$^{2}$, **John**$^{1}$)

Alvin J. Viets, son of Ira and his second wife, Diana (Hurd) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, March 26, 1847; married Melissa Moore on October 12, 1868 in Portage County, Ohio. He died February 14, 1877. His widow married James Chalker. Child:

i. Margaret Denia, born July 31, 1872 in Southington; died June 8, 1876.

203. (**Harriet Eliza**$^{6}$, **Henry**$^{5}$, **David**$^{4}$, **David**$^{3}$, **Henry**$^{2}$, **John**$^{1}$)

Harriet Eliza Viets, daughter of Henry and Betsey (Tinker) Viets, was born May 8, 1838 in Shalersville, Ohio; married December 31, 1863 Reuben R. Dutter, born February 21, 1842 in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, son of George and Anna (Bridinger) Dutter. He died in Auburn, Nebraska, August 17, 1905; his widow died February 6, 1928. Children:

i. Ella L. Dutter, born March 23, 1865 in Angola, Indiana; married November 12, 1884 Wilson E. Dungan, born December 2, 1862 in Mecca, Ohio, son of John O. and Matilda (Brobst) Dungan. They resided in Bakersfield, California. Two sons (Dungan).

ii. Anna A. Dutter, born April 15, 1867 in Erie, Illinois; married March 1, 1893 William P. Corbett, born June 30, 1866 in Lisbon, Maine. Resided Auburn, Nebraska. No children.

iii. Truman Reuben Dutter, born November 1, 1873 in Shalersville, Ohio, and died in Lincoln, Nebraska, October 7, 1932. He married Della Olive Antrium, born June 26, 1875 and died June 29, 1938 in Lincoln. One son (Dutter).

iv. Maudelene Edith Dutter, born April 25, 1883 in Mecca, Ohio; married August 4, 1901 George Quackenbush, born October 15, 1882 in Humboldt, Nebraska, son of Hiram and Cora (Lindsley) Quackenbush. Resided Lincoln, Nebraska. Two daughters (Quackenbush).

204. (William A.$^{6}$, Henry$^{5}$, David$^{4}$, David$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

William A. Viets, son of Henry and Betsey (Tinker) Viets, was born September 21, 1842 in either Shalersville or Mantua, Ohio; married October 4, 1868 Mary R. Sabin, born November 17, 1849 in Shalersville, daughter of Ransom and Phoebe (Reeves) Sabin. Mr. Viets died March 24, 1918; his widow died May 1, 1932. Children, born in Humboldt, Nebraska:

i. Elliot, born August 17, 1869; died November 11, 1891.

375. ii. Blanche, born August 13, 1876.

376. iii. Hubert L., born January 25, 1880.

377. iv. Grace, born June 18, 1883.

v. Clayton L., born February 1, 1886; unmarried in 1938; resided in West Los Angeles, California. He died February 25, 1970 in Los Angeles County. [California VR, FHM#6332563.]

205. (Newton Eugene$^{6}$, Henry$^{5}$, David$^{4}$, David$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Newton Eugene Viets, son of Henry and Betsey (Tinker) Viets, was born July 20, 1846 in Shalersville, Ohio, and died in San Jose, California, May 29, 1872; married October 27, 1870 Amelia M. Bazeley in Arapahoe County, Colorado. [Marriages of Arapahoe County, Colorado, 1859-1901.] In the 1870 census of Denver, Colorado, he is listed with his cousin, Calvin Viets, his (Newton's) wife Mary, and a child, "Leverne Bazeley," age 6 years. Thus it would appear that the daughter listed below may be his stepdaughter although her name is given as Laverne Viets on her marriage record. They resided in California where he was a school teacher in San Jose.

It is interesting to note that N. E. Viets, wife and child of Cleveland, Ohio, booked passage on the west-bound overland train from Ogden, Utah, October 30, 1870 arriving in San Francisco November 1, 1870. [Rasmussen, Railway Passenger List of Overland Trains to San Francisco and the West.] Child:

378. i. Frankie Laverne Ardella "Vernie," born September 1865.

**206. (Egbert H.$^{6}$, Henry$^{5}$, David$^{4}$, David$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Egbert H. "Bert" Viets, son of Henry and Betsey (Tinker) Viets, was born in Shalersville, Ohio, April 24, 1849 and died in Madrid, Nebraska, January 4, 1919. He married in Ravenna, Ohio, on September 18, 1878 Emma Brode [VR, Portage County, Ohio, FHF#0891363]. She was born August 20, 1860, daughter of Enos and Maria Rebecca (Wilson) Brode [Griffen, Wolcott Genealogy] and died in Canada in 1932. According to his obituary in the Grant Tribune-Sentinel they settled in Humboldt, Nebraska, in 1884 where they were in the hotel business for twenty years. About 1905 they moved to Madrid, Nebraska. Child:

379. i. Ada M., born April 22, 1882.

**207. (Truman E.$^{6}$, Henry$^{5}$, David$^{4}$, David$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Truman E. Viets, son of Henry and Betsey (Tinker) Viets, was born in Shalersville, Ohio, January 14, 1851. He married Rose B. Kernin on December 20, 1883 in Portage County, Ohio. He had one child, both mother and child dying at the birth, January 3, 1884. [VR, Portage County.] The mother was nineteen years of age. He died in Madrid, Nebraska [?], November 19, 1919 and was buried in Mantua, Ohio, November 29, 1919.

**208. (Lucile Almira$^{6}$, Henry$^{5}$, David$^{4}$, David$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Lucile Almira Viets, daughter of Henry and Betsey (Tinker) Viets, was born in Shalersville, Ohio, February 28, 1853; married April 29, 1875 Andrew A. Gilbreath, born May 10, 1846 in Brimfield, Ohio, son of Joseph and Mary Gilbreath. He died in Mantua, Ohio, March 15, 1911; his widow died in Cleveland, Ohio, October 4, 1942 and was buried in Mantua. Children:

i. Urban Robert Gilbreath, born December 20, 1876 in Shalersville; died September 12, 1906 in Mantua. Unmarried.
ii. Edith Mae Gilbreath, born March 2, 1878 in Mantua; married June 20, 1922 Charles E. Herst, born February 26, 1876. Resided in Cleveland, Ohio. No children.
iii. Roland Lee Gilbreath, born December 27, 1891 in Mantua; married August 19, 1929 Hattie Frances Wolf, born March 2, 1892. Resided in Cleveland, Ohio. No children.

**209. (Edith L.$^{6}$, Henry$^{5}$, David$^{4}$, David$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Edith L. Viets, daughter of Henry and Betsey (Tinker) Viets, was born in Shalersville, Ohio, August 7, 1856; married October 22, 1879 Henry J. Root, born April 12, 1853 in Bainbridge, Ohio, a son of Henry and Eliza (Kent) Root. Mrs. Root died January 3, 1911 in Cleveland, Ohio; Mr. Root died November 9, 1923. Child:

i. Ella H. Root, born December 28, 1880 in Mantua, Ohio; married June 26, 1911 Earl Van Dorn Stacey, born in Lexington, Kentucky, son of Robert Lee and Jane Stacey. One daughter (Stacey).

210. (Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Russell Viets, son of Zopher and Lydia (Curtis) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, January 19, 1833 and died there September 28, 1863. He married Clarissa Clark of Nelson, Ohio, born September 10, 1835 in Nelson. The widow married Hill D. Mercer. Mr. Mercer served in the Civil War. She died in 1908. [Trumbull County, Ohio, Cemetery Records, 1800-1930.] Children, born in Southington:

380. i. Francis, born January 19, 1856.
381. ii. Loren, born August 25, 1860.

211. (Harriet[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Harriet Viets, daughter of Zopher and Lydia (Curtis) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, October 13, 1835; married November 20, 1855 Allen Chalker, born September 15, 1827 in Southington, son of James and Mercy (Norton) Chalker. He and his daughter Lydia were killed in a railroad accident September 28, 1889 in Garrettsville, Ohio. His widow died June 25, 1909. Children, born in Southington:

i. Hettie Chalker, born October 1, 1856; married a Mr. Compton. No children.
ii. Richard Chalker, born November 20, 1858; died April 8, 1862.
iii. Eva Chalker, born February 5, 1864; married Freeman Stroup. No children.
iv. R. Seymour Chalker, born January 14, 1866.
v. Lydia D. Chalker, born June 30, 1870; died September 28, 1889 in a railroad accident along with her father.
vi. Lester G. Chalker, born October 14, 1873; married October 12, 1904 Lella E. Wildman, born October 22, 1883 in Huntsburg, Ohio, daughter of Adna and Hattie (Barbe) Wildman. Resided in Southington. He died in 1946. Two children (Chalker).

212. (Rebecca[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Rebecca Viets, daughter of Zopher and Lydia (Curtis) Viets, was born December 11, 1838 in Southington, Ohio; married November 5, 1857 Porter G. Osborne, born May 29, 1829 in Southington, son of Gilbert and Lois (Haughton) Osborne. Mr. Osborne died March 18, 1900; his wife died August 17, 1870. Children, born in Southington:

i. Preston Osborne, born 1858; he married March 4, 1880 Laura Heintzleman, born March 3, 1859 in Braceville, Ohio, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Blott) Heintzleman. She died June 30, 1893; Mr. Osborne died in 1925. Four children (Osborne).

ii. Neena Osborne, born 1863; died in April 1930 unmarried.
iii. Burdette Osborne, born March 8, 1869; married October 17, 1893 Adell Brobst, born February 22, 1871 in Ovid, Michigan. No children.

213. (Henry[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Henry Viets, son of Zopher and Lydia (Curtis) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, May 22, 1843; married September 8, 1866 Lucy F. Joy, born October 3, 1847 in Southington, daughter of Harvey and Lovisa (Bronson) Joy. Henry Viets died February 22, 1901. Mrs. Viets died April 28, 1923. [Trumbull County, Ohio, Cemetery Inscriptions, 1800-1930.] Children, born in Southington:

i. Virgil R., born November 1867; died in 1928 unmarried.
ii. Mary A., born January 20, 1871; died January 4, 1872.
382. iii. Melvin Guy, born March 9, 1873.
383. iv. Blanche G., born October 9, 1875.
v. Algie Burt, born February 21, 1880; died November 22, 1882.
384. vi. Elta, born November 1882.

214. (Sarah J.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Sarah J. Viets, daughter of Henry Munsell and Jane (Cook) Viets, was born in Suffield November 28, 1845; married January 16, 1877 John L. Van Evera, born August 20, 1850 in Canjoharie, New York. The family resided in West Salem, Ohio. Mrs. Van Evera died January 10, 1929. Children:

i. Arlington L. Van Evera, born December 9, 1879 in Homerville, Ohio; married April 26, 1919 Myrtha Rosselot of San Juan, Argentina. He died April 19, 1923. No children.
ii. Gertrude L. Van Evera, born April 26, 1883 in West Salem, unmarried.

215. (Martin Henry[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Martin Henry Viets, son of Henry Munsell and Jane (Cook) Viets, was born September 12, 1849 in Henrietta, Ohio; married March 18, 1874 Myrtle M. Bolles, born June 19, 1856 in Polk, Ohio, daughter of Joseph Carrier and Rebecca (Cole) Bolles. They were among the earliest settlers in Alta Vista, Wabaunsee County, Kansas. She died in Topeka, Kansas, September 7, 1946 in her ninetieth year. Mr. Viets died September 30, 1904. Children:

385. i. Clara May, born June 23, 1875.
386. ii. Nettie Bell, born October 1, 1876.
387. iii. Charles Bolles, born April 25, 1879.
iv. Nellie Dell, born October 19, 1881 in Alta Vista, Kansas; died May 4, 1887.
388. v. Jennie Rebecca, born January 4, 1884.
389. vi. Norah Jane, born March 16, 1886.
390. vii. Gertrude Mary, born August 7, 1888.

216. (Mary E.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Mary E. Viets, daughter of Henry Munsell and Jane (Cook) Viets, was born October 12, 1854 in Henrietta, Ohio; married January 29, 1874 Charles A. Stebbins, born June 6, 1852 in Canaan Township, Wayne County, Ohio, son of W. P. and Mary (Glime) Stebbins. Mr. Stebbins was a druggist. They were members of the Presbyterian church. [History of Medina County, Ohio.] He died October 27, 1918; his wife died January 29, 1896. Children, born in Creston, Ohio:

i. Harry Stebbins, born February 10, 1886; married January 9, 1913 Ruth N. Simmons, born April 1, 1889 in Westfield Township, Ohio, a daughter of Edwin O. and Louise (Hunt) Simmons. Mr. Stebbins was a banker in Creston, Wayne County, Ohio.
ii. Carl Stebbins, born January 3, 1888; married August 26, 1914 Hazel Sipe of Lisbon, Ohio. He died in New York Naval Hospital October 12, 1917 or 1918. He was to have received his commission as lieutenant the following day.
iii. Mildred G. Stebbins, born July 14, 1889; married James R. Corkett. One daughter (Corkett).

217. (Maria A.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Maria A. Viets, daughter of Henry Munsell and Jane (Cook) Viets, was born May 25, 1856 in Ohio. She married December 27, 1875 Solomon Hull who died about 1884; Mrs. Hull died in July 1879. Child:

i. Winifred Hull, born November 24, 1876 in West Salem, Ohio. She married June 4, 1895 the Reverend J. W. Romich, born January 13, 1867 near Wooster, Ohio, and died May 3, 1917. Mrs. Romich resided in Long Beach, California. No children.

218. (Jonathan Munsell[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Jonathan Munsell Viets II, son of Ezekiel and Catherine Charity (Warner) Viets, was born in the home of his grandfather of the same name in Suffield, September 15, 1843; removed to Ohio with his parents in 1849; resided in Elyria, Lorain County, and afterwards in Bryan, Williams County, Ohio. He served in the Civil War as a private in Co. A, 128th Regt., OVI [Grave Registrations of Soldiers Buried in Ohio, FHF#0182786]. He was a traveling salesman. He wrote "In all I sold goods on the road to the trade for over thirty-four years." He married in Elyria, February 20, 1868 Elizabeth Lena Henson, born March 1839 in Nazeby, England, who was twelve years old when she came to America with her parents in a sailing vessel. She died October 10, 1911; Mr. Viets died in Bryan December 23, 1917.

From "Autobiography of Jonathan Munsell Viets," Early Vital Records of Ohio, Ohio State Library:

I remember some things about the trip [from Connecticut to Ohio at age 6]. I remember the canal boat ride of about two weeks; of seeing men get off the boat and go ashore and hunt squirrels, and come aboard again. I remember about the boat going through the lock at Lockport, N.Y.; lake steamer from Buffalo to Cleveland, Ohio. I can tell now how bad the food tasted. I can remember of seeing father taking care of the sick women in the cabin; father escaped being sick, but every other passenger on board was sick; even the women help was sick. The next thing I can well remember was the ride in the stage coach from Cleveland west, only one thing, that was of all of the passengers getting out of the coach and walking across the river bridge at Rocky River. The bridge was not considered safe.

Children:

i. Lawrence Henson, born November 29, 1868 in Ohio; died in the fall of 1874 of spinal meningitis.

391. ii. Leroy Ellsworth, born July 25, 1871.

219. (Chauncey Hastings[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Chauncey Hastings Viets, son of Ezekiel and Catherine Charity (Warner) Viets, was born June 29, 1848 probably in Suffield; married July 16, 1874 Annie E. Buck, born November 14, 1852 in Avon, Ohio, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ellson) Buck. Mr. Viets was a farmer in Avon. He died May 10, 1928 and his widow died November 26, 1929. Children:

392. i. Carrie Edna, born November 20, 1875.

393. ii. Bertha May, born August 11, 1878.

iii. Nettie Elizabeth, born March 25, 1883 in Dover, Ohio. Died 1953 unmarried.

394. iv. Ralph H., born June 29, 1888.

v. Harry C., born July 28, 1897 in Avon. Died 1942 unmarried.

220. (Lydia Mary[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Lydia Mary Viets, daughter of Ezekiel and Catherine Charity (Warner) Viets, was born January 17, 1854 in Clarksfield, Huron County, Ohio; married October 2, 1879 James Wallace, born December 10, 1847 in Perrysburg, Ohio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wallace. He died August 7, 1901; his widow died April 22, 1924. Children:

i. Cora Eleanor Wallace, born July 5, 1883 in Cleveland, Ohio; married December 25, 1905 Frederick Barber Bell, born February 5, 1872 in Chicago, son of Robert Barber and Alvira (Sawyer) Bell. He died in South Haven, Michigan, on January 18, 1944. She died March 27, 1954. Three children (Bell).

ii. Ralph Robert Wallace, born December 25, 1886 in Elyria, Ohio; married first, in June 1903 Gertrude Slingerland, daughter of Alfred and Sarah Jane Patterson (Herrick) Slingerland. She died

in January 1911. He married second, August 24, 1917 in Evanston, Illinois, Edith Irene Clay, born October 3, 1891 in Albion, Michigan, daughter of Frank H. and Cora Emma (Rodgers) Clay. His third marriage was to Charlotte Smith of Cleveland, Ohio, about 1923. Four children (Wallace).

221. (Charles Fremont[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Charles Fremont Viets, son of Ezekiel and Catherine Charity (Warner) Viets, was born September 23, 1856 in Henrietta, Ohio; married May 8, 1886 in Cleveland, Ohio, Mary Jane Everett, born July 3, 1865 near Woodstock, Ontario, Canada, daughter of Joseph Harmon and Mary (Fallowfield) Everett. [Cuyahoga County Marriage Records.] Both Mr. and Mrs. Viets died in California, he on November 26, 1933 and his widow on May 1, 1937. Children:

395. i. Jennie Estella, born February 21, 1887.
396. ii. Nellie Lydia, born April 13, 1893.
397. iii. Charles Fremont Jr., born June 7, 1896.
iv. Josephine Catherine, born May 26, 1899 in Hopeton, California. Lived in Sacramento, California, in 1986 unmarried. She was employed as a clerk in the Department of Motor Vehicles. [Sacramento City Directories.]
398. v. Lillie Mary, born April 3, 1902.
399. vi. Homer Everett, born February 6, 1905.

222. (James Duane[6], James H.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

James Duane Viets, a son of James Hatheway and Marilla (Hayes) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, East Granby, February 20, 1853; attended Granby Academy, and was in the mill business in West Granby from 1884 until 1893. In 1894 he became one of the partners in the S. D. Viets Co., Springfield, Massachusetts. On November 12, 1884 he married Kate Henrietta Reed, born in Granby, May 2, 1861, daughter of Wilbert and Henrietta (Humphrey) Reed. Mr. Viets died November 13, 1904 in Springfield, Massachusetts. His widow married Henry W. Clapp; she died January 28, 1935. Child:

400. i. Beula Nora, born July 5, 1890.

223. (Samuel David[6], James H.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Samuel David Viets, son of James Hatheway and Marilla (Hayes) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, East Granby, February 19, 1868. He attended Wilbraham, Massachusetts, Academy; married December 30, 1896 Gertrude Mary Clarke, born in East Granby March 16, 1871, daughter of Benjamin Pinkney, son of Charles P., son of Horace, son of Joel Clarke. Mrs. Viets' mother was Myra Allen Smith, daughter of Deacon Benjamin E. Smith. In 1895 Mr. Viets engaged in the grain business in Springfield, Massachusetts, and in 1900 organized a corporation known as the S. D. Viets Company; masons' supplies, seeds, fertilizers, hay, and grain were sold by the extensive business. He died

January 5, 1933 in Springfield. His widow died in 1959. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. Child:

401. i. Marion Gertrude, born October 29, 1897.

**224. (Stanley W.[6], Philo H.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Stanley W. Viets, son of Philo Horace and Almira W. (Clark) Viets, was born in Granby February 28, 1859; he was in the printing business in Derby, New Haven, and New York; married in Birmingham January 4, 1881 Mattie P. Otis, born in Manchester November 27, 1864, daughter of Samuel L. and Maria L. Otis. Children:

i. Stanley L., born May 16, 1882 in Birmingham; died May 22, 1882.
ii. Marjorie M., born June 9, 1888 in Ansonia.
iii. Dorothy, born August 17, 1892 in New Haven; died May 30, 1896.

**225. (Adella M.[6], Jason R.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Adella M. Viets, daughter of Jason Rushmore and his first wife, Rhoda (Phelps) Viets, was born in East Granby March 7, 1869; married Dr. George Wakefield, who died October 5, 1919; Mrs. Wakefield died October 26 the same year. The couple resided in Manchester, New Hampshire.

**226. (Jason Edward[6], Jason R.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Jason Edward Viets, son of Jason Rushmore and his second wife, Wilhelmina (Grohman) Viets, was born in East Granby December 25, 1877; married December 5, 1900 Lucy A. Bacon, born in Poquonock, Windsor, March 21, 1881, daughter of Morgan J. and Hattie (Alderman) Bacon. Mr. Viets was a mail carrier in East Granby for thirty-one years, retiring December 31, 1948 at the age of seventy. Children:

402. i. Lucy Mae, born June 21, 1903.
403. ii. Morgan Jason, born September 9, 1906.
404. iii. Lolita Alice, born June 17, 1908.

**227. (Peninah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])**

Peninah Viets, daughter of Hezekiah and Peninah (Chapman) Viets, was born March 17, 1820. She married April 15, 1841 Dr. David Everts Reed. Mrs. Reed died May 8, 1870. Children:

i. Francis M. Reed, died in 1868. Served in the Civil War. Left no family.
ii. Hezekiah Reed, served in the Civil War; married Harriet Thompson and lived in New Corydon, Indiana. One son (Reed).
iii. Emmeline Reed, born December 6, 1845 in Darke County, Ohio; married December 21, 1865 John B. Warden, born December 9, 1840

in Licking County, Ohio, son of John and Polly (Peck) Warden. He served four years in the Civil War. He died in 1913 and his widow died in California December 16, 1922. Seven children (Warden).

iv. Ivan Reed, died in Monroeville 1884 or 1885 about thirty years of age. One son (Reed).

228. (Andrew Jackson[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Andrew Jackson Viets, son of Hezekiah and Peninah (Chapman) Viets, was born May 5, 1826 at Fort Jefferson, Darke County, Ohio. He married Rebecca Washington February 11, 1849; he died June 14, 1884. No children.

229. (William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

William Viets, son of Hezekiah and Hulda (Ludington) Viets, was born September 18, 1830 in Fort Jefferson, Darke County, Ohio. He married March 30, 1856 Catherine Schlechty, born June 3, 1835 and died December 17, 1892. Mr. Viets died September 6, 1881. Both are buried in Shooks Chapel Cemetery, Darke County, Ohio. [Short and Bower, Darke County Ohio Cemetery Inscriptions.] Mr. Viets is listed in the 1875 Darke County Atlas at North Star in Allen Township as a "Farmer/Teacher." Children:

i. John, died in childhood.
405. ii. [Mahuldah?] Anna, born March 3, 1858.
406. iii. Mary, born August 8, 1859.
407. iv. Sarah, born June 23, 1860.
408. v. Elijah A. J., born May 23, 1863.
409. vi. William, born April 3, 1866.
410. vii. Enrique DeNova, born March 11, 1867.
viii. Emma, birthdate unknown; married Robert J. Miller September 2, 1891 in Darke County, Ohio. He died in Ohio in November 1947.
411. ix. Lillie A., born April 5, 1873.
412. x. Cora May, born April 17, 1879.

230. (Charles[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Viets, son of Hezekiah and Hulda (Ludington) Viets, was born June 10, 1832 in Fort Jefferson, Darke County, Ohio; married August 24, 1862 Clementine (Robbins) Hathaway, born August 11, 1836. She was probably the daughter of Levi A. Robbins who married first William Hathaway, June 10, 1858. [Versailles, Hathaways of America.] Mrs. Viets died September 29, 1867. He married second, October 8, 1868 Sarah "Sallie/Sadie" Gotschall. [Darke County Ohio Marriages 1851-1898.] She was born April 23, 1847 and died July 25, 1904.

Charles Viets served from 1861 to 1865 in the Civil War in Co. I, 152nd OVI, as 2nd sergeant. He was a member of the Masonic and I.O.O.F. Lodges of Greenville, Ohio. He died September 11, 1879 in Palestine, Darke County, Ohio. [Obituary, Greenville Democrat.] He is listed in the 1875 Darke County

Atlas as a druggist. His widow married J. A. Warbington November 12, 1880. [Darke County, Ohio, Marriages, 1851-1898.] Dr. Charles Viets is buried in Pioneer Cemetery in Fort Jefferson beside his two wives. [Tombstones read by DVS, 1987.] Children, by first marriage:

413. i. Capitola, born ca 1863.
ii. Harry Walter, born ca 1867; he was a druggist who lived in Portland, Oregon, and died there August 30, 1920. [Obituary, Morning Oregonian, September 1, 1920.] Unmarried.

231. (John Wesley[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

John Wesley Viets, son of Hezekiah and Hulda (Ludington) Viets, was born January 6, 1835 in Fort Jefferson, Darke County, Ohio. He married May 8, 1862 Sophia Burkett, born September 28, 1843 in Neave Township, Darke County, daughter of Joseph and Susannah (Hittle) Burkett. She died in Fort Jefferson February 26, 1910. Mr. Viets served in the Civil War from 1861 to 1865 in Co. I, 152 Regt., OVI He was a teacher for a number of years. He died December 31, 1915 in the Soldiers' Home, Dayton, Ohio. Both Mr. and Mrs. Viets are buried in Pioneer Cemetery in Fort Jefferson, Ohio. [Tombstones read by DVS, 1987.] Children, born in Fort Jefferson:

414. i. Orville D., born May 25, 1863.
ii. John "Jack" Ludington, born December 7, 1865; died March 26, 1892. [Wilke, Newspaper Death Records, Darke County, Ohio, 1892-1898.]
415. iii. Ulysses Schuyler, born June 4, 1868.
iv. Son, born March 16, 1872; died in infancy.
v. Della J., born March 11, 1873; died March 8, 1874.
416. vi. Sallie "Sadie" B., born August 16, 1876.
vii. Daughter, died in infancy, August 16, 1879.
417. viii. Helen "Nellie" Augusta, born December 7, 1882.
ix. Son, born 1886; d. 189?

[Reference: Tombstones, Pioneer Cemetery, Fort Jefferson, Ohio.]

232. (Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Elijah Viets, son of Hezekiah and Huldah (Ludington) Viets, was born June 15, 1838. He married in Lincoln, Nebraska, September 16, 1868 Phebe Mead, born April 1848 in Darke County, Ohio. Mr. Viets served in Co. I, 152nd, OVI, in the Civil War. He was discharged at Camp Dennison, Ohio, September 2, 1864. They settled in Henryville, Lawrence County, Tennessee, in 1884. He died there March 31, 1890 and Mrs. Viets died October 31, 1912. [Obituary, Greenville Democrat.] Children:

i. Myrta M. "Mertie," born October 23, 1869; died September 24, 1870. [Tombstone, Pioneer Cemetery, Fort Jefferson, Ohio.]
418. ii. Estella, born April 2, 1871.
419. iii. Bertie "B.V.," born June 5, 1876.
iv. Mildred Merle, born in October 1885; married R. T. Shields.

233. (Hezekiah Phelps[6], Truman[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Hezekiah Phelps Viets, son of Truman and Elizabeth (Jordan) Viets, was born April 10, 1829 near Petersburg, Pennsylvania; married in Winona, Minnesota, in 1869 Margaret Nagle, born February 26, 1847 and died September 1928. He was listed, age thirty-five, as a wood merchant in the 1870 census of Winona County, Minnesota. Hezekiah supposedly died in Davenport, Iowa, February 16, 1883 although no record has been found. The family lived in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Iowa. Children:

420. i. Elizabeth Alvina Marie, born November 17, 1870.
421. ii. William Truman, born March 13, 1874.
422. iii. Edward Michael, born August 13, 1875.
423. iv. Margaret Ellen, born September 22, 1877.
v. Hubert, born April 1879 in LaCrosse; resided in Muskegon, Michigan. Unmarried.
vi. James Warren, born in April 1882 in Buffalo, Iowa. Unmarried.
vii. Franklin Henry, born April 21, 1883 in Davenport, Iowa. He married Anna _____, born ca 1885 in Minnesota. [Census, 1910, Cook County, Illinois.]

234. (Elam[6], Salmon[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

*** Note: I have tentatively placed Elam Viets [Veats] as the son of Salmon. The Andrews Genealogy lists Salmon Viets as the father of two daughters, Phebe and Caroline. However the 1810 Connecticut census includes one male under 16 in Salmon's household. This could possibly be Elam. Phebe Viets was residing in Dalton, Massachusetts, in 1833 which makes one believe that Elam is indeed the son of Salmon Viets. [See Salmon #102.]--DVS. ***

Elam Viets [Veats], probably the son of Salmon and Mary (Andrews) Viets, was born in Granby, Connecticut, about 1808. He left there when a small boy and went to Dalton, Massachusetts, then to Sherman, Connecticut, where he learned the trade of tanner and currier, then to New Fairfield, Connecticut, where he married Jane Adeline _____, born about 1817 in New York. [Danbury, Fairfield County, Connecticut, Censuses, 1850 to 1880.]

A Mary Adeline Veats who changed her name in 1876 to Jacobs in Dalton, Massachusetts, may have been his daughter. His children remember hearing him mention having relatives in East Granby. He and his wife both died in New Fairfield, he April 3, 1888; she February 9, 1898. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]

In the pension record [Certificate No. 937790] of his son, Henry B., appears this notarized statement:

> I Henry B. Veats. Was born in the Town of New Fairfiekld [sic] County of Fairfield. State of Connecticut, on the 27th/day of August, 1843. I am

the last of a family of 8 children as far as I know there is no Family Bible, the records of the Town of New Fairfield, were destroyed by fire some years ago.

--signed, Henry B. Veats

From the above statement it would be presumed that there was another child, probably a daughter, perhaps the Mary Adeline mentioned above. Children:

i. Darius A., born in May 1836. Died in the Civil War at the Battle of Drury's Bluff, Virginia, May 14, 1864.
424. ii. Silas B., born May 1837.
425. iii. Wheeler J., born September 13, 1840.
426. iv. Ann E., born ca 1842.
427. v. Henry B., born August 27, 1843.
vi. Edson H., born March 4, 1856; died August 26, 1857. [New Fairfield Cemetery records.]
vii. Charles W., born ca 1858; died November 23, 1882.

### 235. (Lemuel Watson$^{6}$, Zopher$^{5}$, [Hezekiah P.$^{4}$?], John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Lemuel Watson Viets, son of Zopher and Anna (Colton) Viets, was born in Granby or North Granby, October 26, 1811. His father died when he was fourteen years of age and on November 21, 1825 Joshua Kendall was appointed as his guardian. [Connecticut, Granby District Probates, #1643.] He married June 7, 1830 Lydia F. Wilson. Her descendants give the name as Florence but she is called "Florana" in the record of her marriage to William Lindsley in 1852. [Barbour Collection.] Lemuel W. Viets is listed as a joiner and carpenter in Cleveland. [Cleveland City Directory, 1847-1848.] He died in Cleveland, Ohio, August 8, 1849. In the 1850 census appears the name of Florian L. Viets, age thirty-eight, along with a Marshall W. and "Ed." [Eugene Erskine?] Viets. [1850 census, Cleveland, Ward 2, p. 221B.] Lydia (Wilson) Viets Lindsley died about 1885. Children:

428. i. Marshall Wilson, born April 7, 1831.
ii. Fernando, died in the West, unmarried.
429. iii. Eugene Erskine, born in November 1838.

### 236. (Hezekiah$^{6}$, Harvey$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Hezekiah Viets, son of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was probably born in Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and was the eldest child. He married Jane Burnham, daughter of Obadiah and Marian Burnham. He died when his children were young, probably before 1857. A "Jane Viets," undoubtedly his widow, married George McLachlin, May 25, 1857 in Lenawee County, Michigan. [IGI, Michigan, 1988.] Children:

430. i. Elwood, born in 1848.
431. ii. Arthur, born in 1852.

237. (Benjamin F.[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Benjamin F. Viets, son of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was born January 19, 1822 in Pennsylvania. He married February 18, 1946 in Whiteford, Michigan, Sarah Quelch [Heath, Monroe County Marriage Records], born December 10, 1830 in England, daughter of Richard and Esther (Stevens) Quelch. Benjamin died August 8, 1869 and his widow died November 23, 1890. Both are buried in Van Aucken Cemetery, Whiteford Township, Monroe County, Michigan. Children, born in Whiteford Township, Monroe County, Michigan:

432. i. Malinda Esther, born July 26, 1848.
433. ii. Matilda, born September 20, 1851.
434. iii. Wesley, born January 19, 1853.
435. iv. Nehemiah (Namire), born January 13, 1855.
436. v. Jason, born 3 March 1858.
437. vi. Marvin, born May 5, 1860.
438. vii. Fidelia "Delia," born December 9, 1863.
439. viii. Clara J. "Dolly," born September 7, 1864.

238. (Amanda[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Amanda Viets, daughter of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was born June 3, 1823 in Steuben County, New York. She married in 1843 or 1844 Asa Clark LeFord, born in New York July 18, 1822, son of Peter and Clara (Newman) LeFord. The old LeFord farm was near Petersburg, Michigan. The family later lived in Little Rock, Arkansas. Amanda died there January 24, 1899; her husband died February 20, 1900. [Present members of the family spell the name Lefford.] Children:

i. Lucy Ann Lefford, born September 15, 1844 in Michigan; married in 1860 Otho George McClain, born January 30, 1832 in Williamsport, Maryland, son of _____ McClain and _____ (Miller) McClain. Nine children (McClain).
ii. Sarah Jane Lefford, born September 21, 1846 in Michigan; died 1847.
iii. John David Lefford, born January 25, 1848 in Erie, Michigan; married December 16, 1877 Catherine Louise Malchus, born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, September 2, 1856, daughter of John and Johanna (Sanger) Malchus. She died November 9, 1925; Mr. Lefford died June 23, 1924. One daughter (Lefford).
iv. Orrison Derison Lefford, born March 12, 1850 in Michigan; married October 10, 1880 Louisa N. Ferguson, born February 17, 1862, daughter of James and Edith (Douglass) Ferguson. She died September 6, 1920; Mr. Lefford died July 14, 1934. Five children (Lefford).
v. Alice L. Lefford, born December 23, 1852 in Michigan; died May 9, 1856.
vi. Ida Florence Lefford, born October 29, 1855 in Michigan; married March 25, 1875 Frederick A. Garrett, born in Little Rock,

Arkansas, December 28, 1853, son of Frederick Spencer and Margaret (Russell) Garrett. He died November 30, 1921; his wife died December 21, 1912. Mr. Garrett's maternal ancestors were among the earliest settlers of Little Rock. His paternal ancestors were from Connecticut. Nine children (Garrett).

vii. Mary Frances Lefford, born August 29, 1857 in Michigan; married Thomas Storey. Resided in Louisiana. No children.

viii. George Washington Lefford, born February 6, 1860 in Michigan. No further record.

ix. Ella Estella Lefford, born February 22, 1862; married _____ Ferguson who died about 1929. Mrs. Ferguson died in 1936. Eleven children (Ferguson).

x. Ada Lefford, born August 10, 1864; died August 11, 1864.

239. (Anna$^6$, Harvey$^5$, Hezekiah P.$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Anna Viets, daughter of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was born December 16, 1824 in Dansville, Steuben County, New York. She married June 14, 1845 in Dundee, Michigan, Walter Hadley [Heath, Monroe County Marriage Records], born November 1, 1817 in New York and died April 15, 1896. Anna died February 23, 1891 in West Toledo, Ohio. Children:

i. Lucius Hadley, born ca 1846; married Lucy Deetor. Lucius was living in New York City in 1915. Two children (Hadley).

ii. Florence E. Hadley, born November 4, 1858; married in 1882 Frank W. Fish, born March 12, 1856; died October 9, 1887. His widow died January 20, 1905. Two children (Fish).

240. (John$^6$, Harvey$^5$, Hezekiah P.$^4$, John$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

John Viets, son of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was born October 28, 1826 in Dansville, Steuben County, New York. He was about eight years old when the family moved west, first to Huron County, Ohio, for a year then on to Monroe County, Michigan. He married January 20, 1847 Mary Ann Phelps, born May 22, 1830 in Sodus, Wayne County, New York, daughter of Joseph and Margaret (Bennett) Phelps.

In 1868 the family settled on a farm in Leavenworth County, Kansas, three and a half miles from what is now the town of McLouth. John and Mary Ann later retired from farming and spent the remainder of their lives in McLouth. They lived to celebrate their 61st wedding anniversary. Mary Ann died October 4, 1908 in McLouth. John died May 10, 1910 in Lawrence, Douglas County, Kansas. Both are buried in the McLouth Cemetery. Children, born in Monroe County, Michigan:

440. i. Truman Theodore, born March 11, 1848.
441. ii. Clinton Henry, born March 13, 1850.
442. iii. Elva Louisa, born December 19, 1851.
443. iv. Inez Alvaretta, born January 4, 1853.

444. v. Harvey Joseph, born December 14, 1855.
445. vi. Frank Elvaro, born April 29, 1857.

References: Schell, A Viets Genealogy; McLouth [KS] Times Souvenir Edition.

241. (Maryetta[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Maryetta Viets, daughter of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was born about 1828 in New York. She married in Summerfield, Michigan, February 11, 1846 [Heath, Monroe County Marriage Records], John Rudolph Deland, born in New York; they lived in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. She is thought to have lived in Zion City, Illinois, in her old age and died there November 25, 1905 but no record of this has been found. Children:

i. Wallace Deland, born ca 1848 in Michigan. He married Julie Predo.
ii. Adelbert Deland, born 28 July 1849 in Detroit, Michigan. He married 25 December 1876 Emma A. Terwilliger. He was living in Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois, in 1900 as a boarder with George M. Fish.

242. (Harrison C.[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Harrison C. Viets, son of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was born May 19, 1831 in Steuben County, New York. He married October 7, 1852 in Adrian, Michigan, Esther Marietta Burnham, born November 4, 1834 in Massachusetts, daughter of Calvin and Mary Ann Burnham. Mr. Viets served in Co. L, 1st Michigan Engineers and Mechanics, during the Civil War. They celebrated their 50th anniversary October 6, 1902. He died March 30, 1906. His widow died April 26, 1916 in Deerfield, Lenawee County, Michigan. Both are buried in Deerfield. Children:

446. i. Earl V., born May 19, 1854.
447. ii. Edgar Scott, born March 8, 1856.
iii. Irving, died young.
iv. Herman, born ca 1860; killed by a train at age 19.
v. Edith, died in 1866 age four.

243. (Elizabeth[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Elizabeth Viets, daughter of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was born about 1833 in New York. She married Ryer S. Van Patten. They lived in Allegan County, Michigan. Elizabeth died before 1870 as she was listed as deceased when her father's will was written. Mr. Van Patten died in 1917 in Allegan County, Michigan. Children:

i. Elnora "Nora" Van Patten, born ca 1855; married a Mr. Raplee.
ii. Albert R. Van Patten, born ca 1858.
iii. Charles A. Van Patten, born ca 1860.

244. (George W.[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

George W. Viets, son of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was born April 1, 1834 in Dansville, Steuben County, New York. He went to Kansas with his brother John in 1868. He married in Lawrence, Kansas, in 1871 Katherine H. Moody. The family went west, living first in Oregon, later in Salt Lake City, Utah. George and his wife separated and he spent the remainder of his life in Michigan and Ohio. He served in Co. F, Michigan Engineers and Mechanics, as a private in the Civil War. [Pension Application #642810.] In the 1900 census he was listed in Hancock County, Ohio, with a second wife, Elizabeth A. _____. He died in Sylvania, Ohio, June 7, 1915. Children, born in Leavenworth County, Kansas:

448. i. Flora A., born October 9, 1872.
ii. Milburn G., born December 12, 1874. In 1920 he was living in Salt Lake City, Utah. Unmarried. He was a poet and published several volumes of verse. He died in Portland, Oregon, December 6, 1926. [Oregon Deaths, Roll 4, Spokane Public Library.]
449. iii. Jennie, born May 25, 1879.

245. (Belinda[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Belinda Viets, daughter of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was born about 1837 probably in Monroe County, Michigan. She married Upton McClain. After his death she married a Mr. Nichols. In her later years she supposedly lived in Zion City, Illinois, and died there March 24, 1904. Children:

i. Nell McClain, resided in Florence, Italy.
ii. Dolly McClain, resided in Florence, Italy.
iii. William H. McClain, born August 12, 1853 in Summerfield, Michigan. He settled on a 170-acre farm in Erie, Michigan, and also operated a feed mill. He married January 20, 1880 Sarah Elizabeth Hedges, born November 16, 1854, daughter of Elias W. and Susan (Kelly) Hedges. Mr. McClain died January 27, 1894; his widow died January 22, 1917. Eight children (McClain).

246. (Sarah Ann[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Sarah Ann Viets, daughter of Harvey and Mary (Kile) Viets, was born July 26, 1840 in Summerfield, Monroe County, Michigan. She married first, Abram A. Durfee, born in New York in 1827, son of Daniel and Lucy Durfee. He died in 1872. His widow married second, Foster Ellis, and third, a Mr. Chandler. She died July 29, 1916 in Sylvania, Lucas County, Ohio. Children, born in Sylvania, Ohio:

i. Wallace V. Durfee, born June 24, 1859; married June 24, 1888 or 1889 Catherine Elizabeth Kay, born March 31, 1864 in Woodstock, Ontario, Canada, daughter of Alexander and Phoebe Ann (Wilkerson) Kay. Mr. Durfee died in February 1925, his widow on November 1,

1933. One daughter (Durfee).

ii. George Durfee, born 1861; married Jennie _____. He died in 1930. One son (Durfee).

iii. Edith Durfee, born 1863; died 1865.

iv. Forrest W. Durfee, born February 10, 1866; married June 11, 1892 Mary Ann Baker, born April 7, 1868 in Fort Erie, Ontario, daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Ann (Platto) Baker. Resided in Toledo, Ohio. Two children (Durfee).

v. Grace M. Durfee, born 1868; married Ashley Cone who died in 1931. Mrs. Cone died in Maumee, Ohio, August 23, 1934. One son (Cone).

247. (Oliver Hazard Perry[6], Chauncey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Oliver Hazard Perry Viets, son of Chauncey and Emily (Bartleson) Viets, was born May 28, 1823 in Sugarloaf Township, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and was baptized the same day at St. Gabriel's Church. He settled three miles west of Albion, Michigan, on land his father purchased from the government. At an early age he was apprenticed to a cabinet maker in Marshall, Michigan, and after he learned the trade he opened his own shop. On December 28, 1850 he married Mary Smith, born April 3, 1834 and died February 4, 1852. On October 3, 1858 he married Mary Louise Ballantine who died March 14, 1916. Oliver Viets died in Albion October 19, 1891. Child:

450. i. Emily, born November 10, 1851.

248. (Ira[6], Chauncey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Ira Viets, son of Chauncey and Emily (Bartleson) Viets, was born February 26, 1829 in New York state, probably Monroe County. He was listed along with his brother Oliver in the 1850 census in Sheridan, Calhoun County, Michigan, age 21 with the occupation of "chainmaker." An Ira Viets, born in New York, also a chainmaker, was listed in the 1860 census at Red Bluff, Tehama County, California.

249. (Maria[6], Chauncey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Maria Viets, daughter of Chauncey and Emily (Bartleson) Viets, was born April 10, 1838 in Marshall, Calhoun County, Michigan. Her mother died when she was about two years of age. In the 1850 census of Calhoun County Maria Viets, age 12, born in Michigan, was listed in the household of Anne Peterman who was probably her mother's sister. In the same household was listed Colly Bartleson, her mother's brother. [The Bartleson family's data comes from St. Gabriel's Church Records, Sugarloaf Township, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#1312860.] Maria studied medicine in Philadelphia and Boston and became a physician. She married January 15, 1867 John W. Lowry at Albion, Michigan. Both bride and groom were listed as residents of Bay City, Michigan. She died May 25, 1868 in Vineland, New Jersey, in childbirth. The baby daughter also died.

Obituary, Albion [MI] Weekly Mirror, date unknown

Died in Vineland, New Jersey, on Monday, May 25, 1868, Mrs. Marie Lowry, wife of J. W. Lowery, Esq., and only sister of Mr. O. P. Viets of Sheridan, aged 26 years. Mrs. Lowry was born at Marshall, Mich. As her mother died at the time of her birth, she never knew her protecting guidance. When she was nineteen years of age she lost her father also. By aid of her [illegible] patrimony she was able to attend the medical Colleges for women, in Philadelphia and Boston, from both of which institutions she graduated with honor, and soon after commenced the practice of her profession. She was married to J. W. Lowry, Esq. at Albion, Michigan, January 25, 1867. Last Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, she was taken with violent convulsions, and after lingering in terrible agony until half past eight o'clock Monday morning, she gave birth to a daughter. A half an hour later the angel of death bore her freed spirit away. At about the same time the little girl also died. Mrs. Lowry was highly esteemed by her acquaintances, a large circle of whom mourn her untimely death. Those nearer friends to whom she was more intimately known, and who now find their home circle broken, may get strength from the thought that

There is no death! What seems so is transition;
This life of mortal breath
Is but a suburb of the life elysian,
Whose portal we call Death.

Reference: Albion City Library, newspaper files.

250. (Eliza M.$^{6}$, Ira$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Eliza M. Viets, undoubtedly the daughter of Ira Viets, was born July 1832. She lists her place of birth as Pennsylvania in two censuses which would fit Ira's family of Columbia County, Pennsylvania. Her mother is as yet unknown. It is a matter of conjecture that the wife of Ira Viets may have been named "Ida" since two of his children named daughters "Ida." Eliza married Henry Bangs of the township of Akron, Summit County, Ohio, December 31, 1850. [Summit County, Ohio, Vital Records, Marriages 1840-1943, FHF#1287580.]

Mr. Bangs died in 1855. Jacob Wise was appointed guardian of the two children, Henry and Ida Bangs. [Ohio, Summit County, Index to Guardian Dockets, FHF#0900955.] In the probate records Henry is later referred to as "Harry." [Ohio, Summit County, Probate Court, Vol. B, pg. 163, Case #664.] Eliza Bangs appears in the 1860 and 1870 census of Akron, first ward, Summit County, Ohio, with the two children. She is listed living alone in Akron in the 1900 census. Probate of her estate in 1910 shows that it was left to her two grandsons, Henry Franklin Bangs and George W. Bangs. Eliza M. died in Akron, Ohio, July 27, 1910.

Obituary, Akron Beacon Journal, July 28, 1910

Mrs. Bangs Was a Respected Resident

Owned Much Property in Center of Akron

Mrs. Eliza M. Bangs, who was found dead Wednesday morning at 69 North Howard steet, had been one of Akron's oldest and best known residents. She was the widow of the late Henry Bangs who died a few years ago. He had accumulated considerable property in the city, and his widow has inherited much of it, but she seldom talked of her interests and preferred to live a rather secluded life. She is survived by a number of relatives in Akron. They are Mrs. T. J. Marsh of 130 North Forge street, who was a sister-in-law; Mrs. N. A. Vaughn of Broad street, a cousin, and Mrs. Wetmore of the Falls. She was also the aunt of Fred Tinkham, of Fairlawn. She left two grandchildren, George and Frank Bangs of this city. The funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Children, probably born in Akron, Ohio:

i. Henry "Harry," born December 25, 1852. He married Mary Pfordt in 1886. He died before 1897 as his widow married Frank E. Corp that year. The two grandsons mentioned in the probate above were Henry's sons.
ii. Ida M., born September 23, 1854. She married in 1876 Augustine A. Tillotson. She must have died before 1880 as A. A. Tillotson is listed in that year's census as a widower.

251. (Adam Clark$^{6}$, Ira$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Adam Clark Viets, son of Ira Viets, was born June 3, 1834 in Ohio. His first wife's name may have been Mary E. or Margaret and he was married in the 1850s. He married second Jane "Jennie" Betz born October 1844 in Pennsylvania. He had a stepson Harry Mather, by his second wife. Clark Viets died April 24, 1908 in Bloomsburg, Columbia County, Pennsylvania. Jennie Viets died in 1929. Children, by first marriage:

451. i. Thomas Sherman, born 1857.
ii. Sarah, born 1860.
452. iii. Cornelius Eugene, born November 1862.
iv. Laura, born 1865.
v. Ida, born 1868.
453. vi. William B., born September 1872.

By second marriage:

454. vii. Mary (twin), born April 5, 1883.
455. viii. Frederick E. (twin), born April 5, 1883.
456. ix. Bertha, born September 1885.

252. (Emily Maria[6], Harvey[5], John[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Emily Maria Viets (who changed her name from Charity Maria), daughter of Harvey and Maria (Gillett) Viets, was probably born in Southwick, Massachusetts. She married Edwin A. Hills in August 1847 in Granby. [Record gives groom as Edwin A. Mills.] Children:

i. Elwyn Hills, married Emily Loomis. Elwyn Hills died in 1935. One daughter, Mabel Hills, married a Mr. Root.
ii. Mary Hills, married Henry Barton of Lynn, Massachusetts.

253. (Mary Ann[6], Harvey[5], John[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Ann Viets, daughter of Harvey and Maria (Gillett) Viets, was born about 1826 in Utica, New York. [From data on birth record for child, vital records, Southwick, Massachusetts.] From Southwick records: "Wells Bradley 23 years, son of Eli and Irena Bradley and Mary Ann Viets 19 years, daughter of Harvey and Maria of West Springfield married March 27, 1845." Wells Adelbert Bradley was born in Southwick. He was a cigar maker by trade. Mrs. Bradley died in March 1857 in North Granby. Mr. Bradley married in 1865 Sarah Parker of Saybrook. He died December 23, 1893 and was buried in Essex. Children:

i. Wells Adelbert Bradley Jr., born April 7, 1846; married 1870 in Simsbury a Miss Brown. He died June, 1918 in Collinsville. Two daughters (Bradley).
ii. Mary J. Bradley, born May 2, 1849 [VR, Southwick, Massachusetts], died in 1936 unmarried.
iii. Clifford E. Bradley, born in 1853 in Southwick, Massachusetts; married July 25, 1884 in Hampton, Carrie Henry, born July 17, 1869 in Willimantic, daughter of Charles and Phoebe E. (Shippee) Henry. Mr. Bradley died March 18, 1925. Five children (Bradley).
iv. Son (Bradley,) born February 22, 1857; died the following day.

254. (Charles[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Viets, son of John Knutton and Harriet (Martyn) Viets, was born in Digby, Nova Scotia, June 21, 1832; married in 1856 in Medford, Massachusetts [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0954863] Ellen Boyle of New Brunswick, Canada. Mr. Viets died in Boston in 1878. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0954708.] His widow died in Providence, Rhode Island, in 1897. Children:

i. Harriet Eliza, born in 1856; died age nine years.
457. ii. Ella Edith, born May 3, 1858.

255. (Celia R.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Celia R. Viets, daughter of John Knutton and Harriet (Martyn) Viets, was baptized August 17, 1834; married Charles Stone in 1864 in Charlestown. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0954865.] They resided in Malden, Massachusetts. Mrs. Stone died April 15, 1899. No children.

256. (Henry Synnott[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Henry Synnott Viets, son of John Knutton and Harriet (Martyn) Viets, was born in Digby, Nova Scotia, April 24, 1836; married in 1863 Hannah Isabelle Woodman, born in September 1835 in Clementsport, Nova Scotia, and died January 1913 in Boston where the family resided. Mr. Viets was a superintendent in the car-repairing shops of the New Haven and Hartford Railroad. He died December 4, 1918 in Boston. Children:

458. i. Roger Griswold, born January 20, 1865.
459. ii. Harry Augustus, born August 12, 1866.
iii. William Cutler, born February 24, 1868 unmarried.
460. iv. John Knutton, born September 18, 1869.
v. Archibald Maxwell, born February 1, 1871; died September 4, 1871.
461. vi. Mary Harriet, born June 19, 1872.

257. (Sarah Morton[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Sarah Morton Viets, daughter of John Knutton and Harriet (Martyn) Viets, was born in Digby, Nova Scotia; married Charles B. Shaw, born in Clementsport, Nova Scotia, son of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Shaw. He died in April 1907; his wife died May 18, 1893. They resided in Malden, Massachusetts. Child:

i. Mary Letitia Shaw, born March 5, 1878 in Malden; married December 28, 1906 Howland M. Swain, born in Malden. No children.

258. (Edward Martyn[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Edward Martyn Viets, son of John Knutton and Harriet (Martyn) Viets, was born April 12, 1843 in Digby, Nova Scotia; married first, Mary Shaw, who died in 1869 or 1870. He married second, on August 30, 1879 Annie Moody, born August 1, 1846 in Liverpool, Nova Scotia, and died April 4, 1938. Mr. Viets died April 11, 1911. He was for many years a prominent merchant in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. Children:

462. i. Edward Augustus, born August 5, 1867.
463. ii. Arthur, born September 22, 1869.

259. (Sarah Eliza[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Sarah Eliza Viets, daughter of Botsford and Sarah (Martyn) Viets, was born in Digby August 28, 1837; married Dr. Peleg Wiswald Smith, born January 18, 1837 and died July 15, 1880. Children:

i. Harry Allison P. Smith, born April 24, 1865 (?) and died April 29, 1923; married first, Elizabeth Hughes; married second, Mrs. Margaret E. May, who died April 20, 1937. Mr. Smith was Sheriff of Digby County. Two children (Smith).
ii. Eliza Viets Smith, born in Nova Scotia; married James H. Watson,

an engineer officer of the English Navy, who died in Scotland in 1948. Two children (Watson).

260. (John Moore[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

John Moore Viets, son of Botsford and Sarah (Martyn) Viets, was born in Digby, Nova Scotia, December 11, 1839. He resided in Digby where he was a barrister. He married in Liverpool, Nova Scotia, June 23, 1870 Jane S. Roberts, born October 2, 1848 in Liverpool, daughter of Robert and Matilda (Henderson) Roberts. She died in 1920; Mr. Viets died in 1910. Besides being a barrister, Mr. Viets was a collector of customs at Digby from 1888 to 1895. Children:

464. i. Guy Roberts, born June 29, 1871.
465. ii. Harry Augustus, born November 17, 1873.
iii. John Douglas Willoughby, born October 4, 1876 in Weymouth, Nova Scotia; died in Banff, Alberta, Canada, in 1905 unmarried. He was a manager of the coal mine property of what is now known as Consolidated Smelters.
466. iv. Alexander Griswold, born April 25, 1878.
467. v. Robert Botsford, born January 29, 1880.
vi. Gerald Digby, born June 2, 1883 in Digby; died in 1933 unmarried. During World War I he was in the 152nd Battalion, C.E.F., taking an officer's training course, but his health became such that the authorities refused him. He had served as the rector of Christ Church, Fort Hamilton, Brooklyn, New York.
468. vii. Sara Eliza Kathleen, born May 14, 1885.
469. viii. Carolyn Winifred, born July 31, 1888.

261. (Charlotte Marie[6], Seth[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Charlotte Marie Viets, daughter of Seth and Arabella (Taylor) Viets, was born in Pawlet, Vermont, November 14, 1832; married in Oberlin, Ohio, April 5, 1855 George Benson Bailey, born December 22, 1830 in Lowell, Massachusetts, son of Omar and Clarissa (Peabody) Bailey. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bailey died in Oberlin, he in March 1906 and she in January 1907. Children, born in Oberlin:

i. Ella M. Bailey, born October 18, 1856; married in Excelsior, Minnesota, April 30, 1884 Frank B. Wakefield, born July 6, 1849 in Marshall, Michigan, son of Emerson and _____ (Force) Wakefield. He died in Walkers Fork, Alaska, July 30, 1899. Mrs. Wakefield was graduated with a B.A. degree in 1880 from Oberlin College; was a teacher for a number of years, having taught in Excelsior and in various schools in the State of Washington. Her last year of teaching was 1920-21. She died in Los Angeles December 1, 1938. Four children (Wakefield).
ii. Clara Bell Bailey, born July 15, 1860; died July 23, 1860.
iii. Seth O. Bailey, born July 26, 1861: married in Elyria, Ohio, February 4, 1886 Louise H. Kelly, born January 4, 1866 in Henrietta, Ohio, daughter of Nathan and Jane (Davis) Kelly.

Mr. Bailey died December 17, 1925. Four children (Bailey).

iv. George Benson Bailey Jr., born January 14, 1868; married in Amherst, Ohio, December 22, 1891 Eliza K. Merthe, born January 14, 1865 in Amherst, daughter of Henry and Eliza (Heisner) Merthe. Mr. Bailey died in January 1928. Three children (Bailey).

v. Maude G. Bailey, born November 23, 1869; married Samuel Kemp. No children.

262. (Samuel Beman[6], Seth[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Samuel Beman Viets, son of Seth and Arabella (Taylor) Viets, was born in Pawlet, Vermont, May 22, 1838; married Julia A. Washburn, born June 11, 1845 at Rock Stream, New York, and died in Springfield, Ohio, October 14, 1938. Mr. Viets died in Springfield in 1916. No children.

263. (Harriet Louisa[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Harriet Louisa Viets, daughter of Henry and Maria (Shaw) Viets, was born in Pawlet, Vermont, October 14, 1836 and died October 28, 1882. She married in 1857 Leonard Johnson, born November 28, 1828 in Pawlet, a son of Captain James (of Granville, New York) and Ruth (Williams) Johnson. He was the first station agent in West Pawlet. He died August 17, 1900. [Jenks, Cemetery Inscriptions, Pawlet, Vermont.] Children:

i. Wilbur A. Johnson, born June 3, 1859; died December 5, 1859.

ii. Wayland F. Johnson, born September 20, 1860 in West Pawlet; married January 26, 1886 Mary Ely Burch, born December 31, 1864 in Granville, New York, daughter of Porter and Adalaide (Ely) Burch. She died May 4, 1931; Mr. Johnson died November 22, 1921. Two children (Johnson).

iii. Rensselaer Johnson, born in 1862 in Pawlet; married May 22, 1884 Flora Moore, born in 1857 and died in Poultney, Vermont, in 1930. Mr. Johnson was for many years the station master in Poultney and died there in 1935. No children.

iv. Harriet M. Johnson, born July 19, 1866; died April 6, 1867.

v. Anna Aurora Johnson, born November 27, 1868 in West Pawlet; married September 11, 1886 Gomer Benjamin Williams, a farmer, born July 1, 1865 in Middle Granville, New York, son of Benjamin and Margaret (Parry) Williams. Anna Williams was a graduate of the Castleton Normal School. She died July 24, 1916. Three children (Williams).

264. (Fayette[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Fayette Viets, son of Henry and Harriet Maria (Shaw) Viets, was born in Pawlet, Vermont, December 12, 1841; married in 1861 Ann Philura Davis, born July 29, 1839 near Shushan, New York, daughter of _____ and Ann Scott (Gould) Davis. Mr. Viets was a farmer and died in Pawlet February 7, 1893. Mrs. Viets died March 21, 1923. [Jenks, Cemetery Inscription, Pawlet, Vermont.]

Children, born in Pawlet:

470. i. Eugene Fayette, born February 1865.
471. ii. Ida May, born April 18, 1869.

265. (Helen Maria$^6$, Henry$^5$, Seth$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Helen Maria Viets, daughter of Henry and Harriet Maria (Shaw) Viets, was born in Pawlet, Vermont, August 11, 1846 and died February 13, 1895. [Jenks, Cemetery Inscriptions, West Pawlet, Vermont.] She married first, November 8, 1866 Amyle B. Searles, born in Pawlet. She married second, about 1882 James M. Adams, born September 6, 1834. They resided in Rutland, Vermont. Child:

i. Edgar Brewer Searles, born 1868; married about 1897 to Lillian Kingsley and resided in Dorchester, Massachusetts.

266. (Martin Henry$^6$, Henry$^5$, Seth$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Martin Henry Viets, son of Henry and Harriet Maria (Shaw) Viets, was born in Pawlet May 27, 1849; married March 3, 1875 Elsie Slade, born March 17, 1846 near Groveside, Pittstown, New York, daughter of Nelson and Eunice (Gibbs) Slade. Mr. Viets was station agent at Eagle Bridge, New York. He died there September 30, 1904, his widow May 21, 1931. Child:

472. i. Harry Slade, born August 3, 1878.

267. (Francis L.$^6$, Simeon S.$^5$, Simeon S.$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Francis L. Viets, born about 1829, son of Simeon Smith Jr. and Betsey (Holcomb) Viets, was twenty-one years old in the Granby census of 1850. He married May 9, 1852 "in the home of the bride in Granby," Genette E. Barnes, nineteen years old in 1850, born in Connecticut, daughter of Allen and Emeline Barnes. Mr. Viets was a sash manufacturer. He died November 5, 1865 and was buried in Granby. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] A marriage is listed for Jeanette E. Viets in 1867 in Springfield [Massachusetts VR, FHF#0954867] and she is called Jennette Dickinson in 1880. She was appointed guardian of the two children December 1865. [Connecticut probate records, Granby district, FHF#1017843.] Children:

i. Lilla C., born November 16, 1853. [VR, Southwick, Massachusetts.] She married Charles Weston of Southwick, Massachusetts.
ii. Francis I. (or J.), born in 1864, was given as one and one half-years old in December 1865. Allen Barnes was appointed his guardian in 1869. He was living in Westfield, Massachusetts, under the guardianship of Henry Ely in 1880. [Connectcut probate records, Granby District, FHF#1017843.]

268. (Cornelia Theodora[6], Simeon S.[5], Simeon S.[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Cornelia Theodora Viets, daughter of Simeon Smith Jr. and Betsey (Holcomb) Viets, was born in Granby in 1830 or 1831. From Granby vital records: "Cornelia T. Viets age twenty and William Boyle age nineteen (born in Southwick, Massachusetts) married July 11, 1851." Mr. Boyle died in 1913 age eighty years. Mrs. Boyle was living in Southwick in 1918. Children:

i. Elizabeth J. Boyle, born December 12, 1854 in Granby; married December 2, 1875 in Southwick, Massachusetts, William S. Saunders, son of William and Emeline (Cushman) Saunders. Mr. and Mrs. Saunders observed their golden wedding anniversary at their home in Southwick on December 2, 1925. Six children (Saunders).
ii. Catherine Boyle, born September 11, 1856 in Tariffville; married Chester Galpin. One daughter (Galpin).

269. (Mandana Lucinda[6], Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Mandana Lucinda Viets, daughter of Rodney and Lucinda H. (Wood) Viets, was born in Conneaut, Ohio, November 13, 1831; married July 15, 1849 Almond J. Walton of Saybrook, Ohio. Mrs. Walton died February 10, 1883. Children:

i. Alice Jane Walton, born May 16, 1850 in Saybrook, Ohio; died February 19, 1851.
ii. Frank E. Walton, born October 13, 1851; died March 14, 1875 unmarried.
iii. Ella Roselma Walton, born July 26, 1853 in Saybrook; married there April 29, 1877 Frank G. McEuen, a prosperous farmer and stock dealer of Woodbine, Iowa, born in Windsor, Ohio, January 9, 1854, son of William H. and Sarah (Wood) McEuen. He died in May 1943. Mrs. McEuen died August 22, 1930. Two children (McEuen).
iv. Carrie May Walton, born September 22, 1860 in Saybrook, Ohio; married April 30, 1877 William Rufus Shaffer, born October 13, 1856 in Delaware, Ohio. He was a telegrapher and railroad employee; he died April 26, 1931. His widow resided in San Benito, Texas, in 1938. Two children (Shaffer).

270. (Byron Mortimer[6], Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Byron Mortimer Viets, son of the Reverend Rodney and Lucinda H. (Wood) Viets, was born in Conneaut, Ohio, September 13, 1833 and died December 28, 1896; married in Saybrook March 12, 1856 [VR, Geauga County, Ohio] Abigail S. Harvey, born March 8, 1838 in Saybrook, Ohio, daughter of Solomon and Orpha (Clark) Harvey. She died August 27, 1899 in Montville, Ohio.

Mr. Viets was an industrious farmer. When the Civil War cry was sounded he was patriotic enough to think it his duty to leave wife and little ones and help defend the rights and honor of his country, and returned with impaired health. He served in Company D, 138th Ohio infantry. By his death, and that

of his devoted wife, eight children were left to mourn the irreparable loss. The oldest son then enlisted in the standing army. Children:

473. i. Maria Alice "Minnie," born November 22, 1859.
ii. Phebe Jane, born July 7, 1861; died April 8, 1865.
iii. Frank Elmer, born October 4, 1863; was in the U.S. Army and supposedly living in Washington, D.C., in 1938.
474. iv. Ida Parthenia, born October 16, 1865.
v. Wilber Byron, born May 10, 1867; died October 1930 unmarried.
vi. Mary Ellen (twin), born November 3, 1868; died March 23 1870 in Saybrook.
vii. Clara Emeline (twin), born November 3, 1868; died January 10, 1918 in Chardon, Ohio. [Obituary, Painesville Telegraph, January 23, 1918.]
viii. Florence Vanelia, born February 10, 1870; died October 6, 1872 in Saybrook.
ix. Edgar Harvey, born November 8, 1871; died in young manhood, unmarried.
475. x. Harry Earl, born July 4, 1873.
476. xi. Effie Gertrude, born February 20, 1875.
xii. Winifred Marian, born October 16, 1877; died June 10, 1903 unmarried.
477. xiii. Lee Clark, born August 10, 1883.

Edgar, Clara, Wilbur, Harry, and Effie are all listed on the Viets monument with the parents. No dates. [Montville, Geauga County, Ohio, Cemetery.]

Reference: Warren and Grosvenor, A Monumental Work, Inscriptions and Interments in Geauga County, Ohio.

271. (Harriet Melissa$^{6}$, Rodney$^{5}$, Jesse$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Harriet Melissa Viets, daughter of the Reverend Rodney and Lucinda H. (Wood) Viets, was born in Ashtabula, Ohio, March 11, 1836; married in Austinburg, Ashtabula County, Ohio, February 7, 1855 David Henry Gaylord, born February 27, 1831 in Geneva Township, Ohio, son of Levi Jr. and Selina (Prentiss) Gaylord. Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord observed their golden wedding anniversary in 1905. Mrs. Gaylord died in Geneva October 26, 1910; Mr. Gaylord died in Bridgeville, Delaware, September 25, 1917. Children:

i. Herbert Clinton Gaylord, born October 4, 1859 in Saybrook, Ohio; died March 21, 1862.
ii. Mabel Gertrude Gaylord, born February 6, 1861 in Geneva, Ohio; married in Painesville, Ohio, October 21, 1880 George H. Brigham, born May 8, 1856 in Geneva and died in Painesville in 1945. His wife died April 23, 1929. Seven children (Brigham).
iii. Bertha Alice Gaylord, born March 27, 1865 in Ohio; married April 17, 1894 Edward N. Smith, who died in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1906. Mrs. Smith died in Geneva, Ohio, August 31, 1905. One daughter, Florence A. Smith, died in 1904.

iv. Nora Daisy Gaylord, born April 14, 1869 in Jefferson, Ohio; married in Erie, Pennsylvania, on August 2, 1892 Grant Langstaff, born in Trumbull County, Ohio. She married second, on September 28, 1911 in Ashtabula, Ohio, Mark H. Woodworth, born October 24, 1847 in Unionville, Ohio, and died in Oxford, Pennsylvania, October 8, 1931. One daughter (Langstaff).

v. Lucy Maria Gaylord, born March 28, 1871 in Ohio; married in Unionville, Ohio, on July 9, 1891 Harry C. Ganson. She married second, in Geneva, Ohio, on April 3, 1903 Robert Rose, born in Newline, Ohio, May 24, 1866 and died November 15, 1918. One daughter (Ganson), born in 1892, died at age of two years.

vi. Jerry Lee Gaylord, born November 7, 1873 in Geneva, Ohio. Resided in Detroit. Unmarried.

272. (Frank Jesse$^6$, Rodney$^5$, Jesse$^4$, Seth$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Colonel Frank Jesse Viets, son of the Reverend Rodney and Lucinda (Wood) Viets, was born in Saybrook, Ashtabula County, Ohio, March 12, 1839 and lived there until twenty-one years of age. He entered the army during the Civil War, serving as private four months, then commissioned first lieutenant and serving as such until April 1864 when he resigned on account of disability. He married in Painesville, Ohio, November 30, 1864 Nancy L. Dow of Madison, Ohio, who was born February 4, 1842, daughter of John and Harriett (Butterfield) Dow.

From 1868 to 1870 he was in Kansas and Colorado. In 1870 he moved with his family to Dakota, and located at Grand Forks. Here he opened the North Western Hotel for the Hudson Bay company and afterwards built the Viets' House, known for many years as the best hotel in the Northwest. He platted what is known as the Viets' Addition to Grand Forks, built a grist-mill and saw-mill, the first mills north of Alexandria, Minnesota, and bought the merchandise business of the Hudson Bay Company at that place.

He then went to Minto, North Dakota, and built a large roller flouring-mill, and ran an extensive general store for about two years. Going back to Grand Forks, he again engaged in the hotel business and remained there until the winter of 1896 when the grand structure known as the Viets' House burned, entailing a very heavy loss upon its owner, as well as destroying a very profitable business. Within a few months he went to British Columbia and invested the remainder of his fortune in a mine which proved to be very remunerative and, after nearly two years of labor, to which he was unaccustomed and which caused him to grow old quite perceptibly, he succeeded in disposing of his interest in the mines exceeding his greatest expectations.

In the interval from 1880 to 1890 he owned and occupied a fine farm in his native county of Ashtabula. While residing there the Loudon Rubber Works was incorporated and he became a stockholder with Viets, Southwick and Company general managers. He was ever ready to aid in the advancement of any plan to further the interest of any town or city in which his lot had been cast. According to his army discharge papers Mr. Viets obtained an honorable

discharge due to disability before the close of the war. He served as the first president of the Ohio Viets Association and presided for several years. He was honorary president as long as he lived. He died in Glendale, California, in June 1927.

Mrs. Viets died in Ashtabula, January 1, 1910. Gertrude Dow (Viets) Titus says of her mother, "My beloved mother passed on January 1, 1910, so beautiful in life that I know the angels sang with added joy that New Year's morning." Child:

478. i. Gertrude Dow, born March 5, 1866.

273. (Mary Elizabeth$^{6}$, Rodney$^{5}$, Jesse$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Mary Elizabeth Viets, daughter of Reverend Rodney and Lucinda H. (Wood) Viets, was born August 30, 1845; married June 8, 1866 Henry L. Warren in Ashtabula County, Ohio. [VR, Ashtabula County, Ohio.] She died December 21, 1871.

274. (Celestia Clarissa$^{6}$, Rodney$^{5}$, Jesse$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Celestia Clarissa Viets, daughter of the Reverend Rodney and Lucinda H. (Wood) Viets, was born in Saybrook, Ohio, November 6, 1847. She married in Geneva, Ohio, December 28, 1865 Charles Henry Cooper, born January 4, 1844 in Hillsdale, Michigan, son of Ira and Aurelia (Munson) Cooper. He was an extensive landowner and farmer in Emerado, Dakota. He served in the Civil War in the same Company as Colonel Frank Jesse Viets. He died in Miami, Florida, December 19, 1921; Mrs. Cooper died in Grand Forks, North Dakota, January 29, 1909. Children:

i. Katie Cooper, born in Saybrook, Ohio, in 1867; died in Dakota Territory, January 6, 1881.
ii. Herbert D. Cooper, born February 22, 1869 in Saybrook; married in Emerado, North Dakota, December 23, 1890 Lovilla Jane Ward, born March 7, 1869 in Chicago, daughter of Thomas Ward from England and Mary Ann (Putnam) Ward from Ontario, Canada. Mr. Cooper died March 6, 1928. Mrs. Cooper resided in Miami, Florida. Five children (Cooper).
iii. Mattie Cooper, born 1873 in Cherry Valley, Ohio; died in Dakota Territory, January 6, 1881.
iv. Lotta Ardell Cooper, born February 19, 1875 in Cherry Valley; married June 29, 1911 Frank L. Farnsworth, born June 21, 1872 in Bedford, Iowa, son of Sydney Leroy and Alice (Aldrich) Farnsworth. Resided in Rathdrum, Idaho. One son (Farnsworth).
v. Maude Viets Cooper, born January 16, 1882 in Mackinock Township, Dakota Territory (later North Dakota); married December 28, 1904 Martin Luther Dryburgh, born July 14, 1878 in Cupar, Fifeshire, Scotland, son of John and Rachel (Bogie) Dryburgh. He was a real estate dealer in Grand Forks, North Dakota, and died there July 1, 1948. Two children (Dryburgh).

275. (Durell Fremont[6], Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Durell Fremont Viets, son of the Reverend Rodney and Lucinda H. (Wood) Viets, was born in Saybrook, Ohio, April 1, 1854. He married in Ashtabula, Ohio, on February 25, 1874 Mary M. Perkins, who died in Dakota Territory (now North Dakota) about 1883. Mr. Viets remained at the old homestead with his father and mother until 1881 and then removed to Dakota. Child:

i. Roy Burdette, born in Saybrook, August 16, 1875. He and his father started for Alaska to "seek their fortune" and nothing was ever heard from them.

276. (Rollin Burton[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Rollin Burton Viets, son of Rollin and Electa A. (Brown) Viets, was born May 20, 1834 presumably in Ohio, and died March 11, 1908. He married first in Saginaw, Michigan, on December 30, 1862 Lucy L. Thayer. She was born May 2, 1841 in Conneaut, Ohio, daughter of John Thayer, and died April 1, 1864. He married second, Matilda Gross, born in 1847 and died in 1880. They resided in East Saginaw, Michigan. Children, by first marriage:

479. i. Willis Burton, born December 1861.
ii. Clinton, born August 28, 1863; died October 21, 1865

References: Ashtabula County, Ohio, Cemetery Inscriptions; Early Vital Records of Ohio, Obituaries; Thayer, Family Memorial to the Thayer Family.

277. (Philander Dan[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Philander Dan Viets, son of Rollin and Electa A. (Brown) Viets, was born in Amboy, Ashtabula County, Ohio, November 3, 1836 and died in Evansville, Indiana, June 22, 1895. He married July 1, 1859 Eliza Kellogg, daughter of Phineas and Cynthia Anne (Brown) Kellogg.

Philander Dan Viets was left without a father when twelve years of age. He went to Covington, Indiana, about 1850 where he learned the art of printing, and did his first regular work as a compositor on the Cincinnati Commercial in 1854. Later he went West; was a printer on the Squatter's Sovereign, the first newspaper started in Kansas, and removed thence to Warrensburg, Missouri. In 1855 he removed to Evansville, Indiana, and secured a position on the Evansville Enquirer, and later on the Journal, where he remained until 1861.

In 1863 he received an appointment as captain of the small gunboat Moor, which was in the harbor service of Evansville during the war. He was afterwards appointed agent of the Provost Marshal's office under Major Blythe Hines, and served in that capacity until the close of the war, when he was appointed

wharf master. Later he took the agency of the Evansville, Cairo, and Memphis Steam Packet Company. He was also a steamboat clerk.

In 1874 he retired from the river and accepted a position in the printing office of T. J. Groves, and afterwards in the Courier office. Later he was given the position of river editor of the Courier, and afterwards was made city editor. Mr. Viets acted in that capacity until 1891 when he accepted a position on the writing force of the Standard. He was a good news gatherer, bright, chatty, and informing. He was an active man of affairs, and well liked.

He was elected to the office of justice of the peace a few months before his death by a handsome majority without making a political canvass, trusting to the friendship of those who knew him. He never had a quarrel during his life. "Life is too short to make enemies on a difference of opinion," he would say.

Obituary, Evansville, Indiana, newspaper unknown

Mrs. Eliza Viets, widow of the late P. D. Viets, for years a well-known newspaper man, died at 3 o'clock on Monday afternoon, November 20, 1911 after a three week's illness of pneumonia at her homestead.

She was born in Lafayette, Indiana, October 5, 1836 coming to Evansville in 1854 at the age of eighteen years. At that time Evansville had few public schools. She was in the class that formed Evansville's first high school. After leaving high school Mrs. Viets was a teacher in the public schools.

Mrs. Viets, then Eliza Kellogg, with Hon. John W.. Foster, now of Washington, D.C. and Benjamin _____, a high school teacher, organized the first Mission Sabbath school in Evansville. She was a devoted member of Bethany Christian Church and one of its most earnest workers, being the teacher of the adult Bible class.

She was a woman of wonderful intellect and a beautiful Christian spirit, spreading love all around her and numbering her friends by the score. She was a member and active worker in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and had recently formed a society for the young people of Bethany Church and vicinity. She was a broadminded, earnest worker.

Children:

480. i. Rollin Sackett, born February 2, 1860.
ii. Orson Collins, born January 6, 1864; died October 4, 1864.
481. iii. Charles Fellows, born October 23, 1865.
482. iv. Orlantha, born December 8, 1867.
483. v. Laura, born January 1, 1872.
484. vi. Eliza "Lida" G., born October 6, 1873.

278. (Elliot Winfield[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Elliot Winfield Viets, son of Rollin and Electa (Brown) Viets, was born July 28, 1839 in Conneaut, Ohio; he married first, on September 14, 1861 Martha A. Williams, born October 8, 1842 and died September 13, 1875 of diphtheria, as did her two children. He married second on January 12, 1876 Elvira Simpson, born September 5, 1851 in Platea, Erie County, Pennsylvania, daughter of Ira and Eliza (Bogart) Simpson. She died in Ontario, California, March 5, 1922. Mr. Viets died in Colfax, Wisconsin, May 20, 1917.

Prominent Men of Colfax, newspaper clipping, no name, no date

Elliot Winfield Viets was born in Conneaut, Ohio, on the banks of Lake Erie and lived on a farm until 1848 when his father died. He worked at cabinet making, marble works, and as a farm hand until 1860 when he was a sailor for one season.

At the opening of the Civil War, he responded to the first call, and on April 15, 1861 enlisted in Co. I., 19th Ohio Volunteer Infantry for three months, and was honorably discharged at the end of that time, but re-enlisted in Co. C., Ohio Light Artillery for three years where he was gunner on a gun that shot 12 pound balls. After serving the full term of three years, he was again honorably discharged, but re-enlisted for another three years, or during the war, in the same Company.

Mr. Viets took part in the battles of Lookout Mountain, Chattanooga, Gettysburg, Missionary Ridge, and Vicksburg, and marched with Gen. Sherman's army on its famous march to the sea.

Mr. Viets was married to Miss Martha Williams September 14, 1861 and to them were born two children, Andrew A. and Cora B. both of whom died at an early age, the wife and mother also passing away while the family lived in Barron County, Wis., whence they had emigrated after the war, and where he had taken up a homestead. While here he underwent many hardships, one being a walk from his home to Cooks Valley, 26 miles carrying a sack of flour home before breakfast.

Later he went back to Ohio and on January 12, 1876 he was married to Miss Elvira Simpson, and soon after moved back to Wisconsin, where they lived at Eau Claire one year, at the 22 mile ford (four miles north of town) ten years, on his farm in Cooks Valley one year, on the Tainter Stock farm at Menomonie 3 years, at Ashland as Landlord at the Franklin House 4 years, then to Colfax in 1896 and bought the Royal Hotel and in 1900 built the new Royal Hotel which they now own, occupy and operate.

To this latter union were born three children: Bertha E., now Mrs. C. A. Paul, Ralph S. and Jay B.

The Viets' family is one of our leading families, and their generosity is

always relied upon when anything for the public welfare is being promoted.

After Mr. Viets death, his widow operated the hotel.

Wayne Ralph Viets, grandson of Elliot [see No. 702], has a vague recollection of going as a little boy, about 1924 with his father, older brother, and others to the site of Elliot's homestead and disenterring caskets and taking them to Hill Grove Cemetery in Rural Colfax where the other members of their family were buried. He was about 7 or 8 years of age and much impressed by the covertness of the operation. It was cold and dark when they got to Hill Grove Cemetery and the graves were dug by lantern light. The caskets must have been those of Elliot's first wife and two children who died young. Children, by first marriage:

i. Andrew A., born March, 1866; died October 2, 1875.
ii. Cora E., born February 23, 1868; died March 8, 1876.

By second marriage:

485. iii. Bertha Estella, born November 5, 1877.
486. iv. Ralph Simpson, born May 2, 1880.
487. v. Jay Burton, born January 24, 1888.

Reference: Yvette (Viets) Flaten, Eau Claire, Wisconsin, great granddaughter of Elliott Winfield Viets, contributed much material on this family.

**279. (Jesse L.$^{6}$, Rollin$^{5}$, Jesse$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Jesse L. Viets, son of Rollin and Electa ( Brown) Viets, was born December 1842 in Ohio and died August 31, 1916. In 1889-1890 he was living in Cleveland, occupation, harness maker. [Cleveland City Directory.] He resided in Kane, Pennsylvania. The Viets Genealogy states that he married Alvira Brown, but his near relatives say that he was never married. He is listed in the Civil War pension records as serving in Indiana volunteers and leaving a widow Elvira. The pension application was filed from Pennsylvania. [Pension Records Index, Civil War, FHF#0541245.] He and wife Alvira were listed in the 1900 census in Kane, McKean County, Pennsylvania. Her birth date was given as April 1851 in New York.

**280. (Andrew Hamlin$^{6}$, Rollin$^{5}$, Jesse$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Andrew Hamlin Viets, son of Rollin and Electa (Brown) Viets, was born July 10, 1845 in Ohio; married Emma Cadwell August 15, 1878 in Richmond, Ashtabula County, Ohio. She was born in 1856 and died in April 1834 in Coleman, Texas.

Obituary, Coleman County, Texas, 1914, newspaper unknown

Professor A. H. Viets, one of Coleman Co.'s old and most valuable citizens, passed away at his home near Silver Valley at 4 o'clock Sunday

afternoon. He had been in declining health for more than a year and although his death came as a shock to many of his friends, it was not at all unexpected by those nearest him. The burial took place in the City Cemetery in Coleman.

Professor Viets was born in Conneaut, Ohio, July 10, 1845 and came to Coleman in 1884. He probably taught the first public school ever taught in Coleman. He was a character builder, and had the happy faculty of drawing his pupils to him by bands of love and confidence. The last sixteen years of his teaching were spent in the Indian service in Ariz., Wash., N. Mex. and other states. He is survived by his wife and a daughter, Miss Grace Viets and two brothers older than he, one of whom lives in Wisconsin and the other in Pa. He was of a family of five boys.

An Appreciation by Winslow M. Mead

Andrew H. Viets, native of Ohio and one time resident of Ashtabula, Ohio, died at his ranch in Coleman Co. Apr. 25th in the seventieth year of his age.

While the announcement of Prof. Viets' death may not receive more than a passing notice from the casual reader now resident of northern Ohio, there are hundreds of men and women, not only in Ohio, but in other states to whom this announcement will be the cause of sincere grief and in whom it will awaken thoughts and recollections of younger days when as students, they sat under Prof. Viets' tutelage.

Prof. Viets, in the late "70"s and "80"s, was one of the best known and highly respected men in northern Ohio. Born in the town of Conneaut he found himself at an early age almost the chief support of a widowed mother and several brothers, some younger, some older than himself.

He had no natural school advantages and no educational advantages excepting such as he secured for himself by indomitable energy and by a sacrifice of everything but the actual necessaries of life. He was an honor man at the old Kingsville academy when that institution, now hardly more than a memory, was one of the brighter lights in the world of advancing education. Like so many struggling boys of his period, and anxious for an education and not having worldly facilities for acquiring it, he turned his attention to teaching and alternately was teacher and student.

He soon displayed remarkable ability as a tutor and after presiding over schools of the "Select" kind (a semi-private school) in Richmond, Andover and of the towns of the County, he was made principal of the High School in Jefferson. This was at a time when all of the States and cities were giving attention to advanced education and to increasing educational facilities. In spite of the fact that there was little to do with at Jefferson, almost at once the "Jefferson Educational Institution" as it came to be known, came into prominence because of the enthusiasm

displayed, the discipline maintained and the encouragement offered to young men and young women who had been without educational advantages and who were inspired with a desire for real education.

After some years spent in Jefferson, Prof. Viets had charge of the schools in Bloomfield, Ohio. Because of the fear that he had a tendency to tubercular infection, he sought the milder climate of Texas. This was in 1884 and here, in Coleman, and at other rapidly-growing towns in Texas, he repeated the success in an educational way that had crowned his efforts in Ohio. Almost as soon as he located in Texas, while land was so cheap as to be regarded as almost valueless, he purchased a large ranch and there for the first time he began the construction of what he regarded as a "home." The idea of an outdoor life combined with agricultural pursuits appealed to him but he was not able to humor himself in this regard and in order to complete his ranch home as it has been planned, he was forced to again take up teaching. He entered the Indian service and in this service he remained in the States of Wash., Nev., Ariz. and N. Mex., until at the age of sixty years he gave up teaching and returned to his ranch home.

His abandonment of school work was absolutely due to a firm resolve which he made early in life, that as he had been successful at school work he owed it to himself and to his fellow-man to devote his best energies to this work until his energies should begin to wane and he arbitrarily fixed the period when one's "downhill climb" must begin - at sixty.

The last ten years were spent by Prof. Viets as a farmer, ranchman and as a model citizen, for while he made no pretensions to model citizenship, his principle of being true to one's-self and living up to that principle made him perforce almost the idol of his friends and fellow townsmen.

He may have believed in heredity, but, if so, he also believed that an inherited weakness could be overcome and mastered by an application of will-power, right thinking and correct living. To the young man whom he met it was not what has been your advantages for education, but what are you individually anxious to do; what sacrifice of luxuries are you willing to make. This, with him, was the whole thing in a nut shell. If a young man wanted and willed, he could and he would - and in hundreds of cases he did, for such colleges as Harvard, Yale, Cornell, Ann Arbor, Ohio State University, Oberlin and many other institutions carry on their alumni rolls the names of men, who but for Prof. Viets' inspiring influence would never have thought of a college career - would have neither thought it possible, or if possible, worth while.

These men Prof. Viets to the day of his death remembered by name, held frequent correspondence with many of them and referred to all of them as "my boys" and not one of these but that takes pride in being, or having been regarded, as one of Viets' boys. Prof. Viets knew boys as only few men know them. He knew boys as Mark Hopkins and Dr. McCosh knew college men. His love of boys, his enthusiasm to get a boy interested in

himself, and the less promising the boy seemingly the greater his enthusiasm and interest, amounted almost to an obsession. A part of the secret of his success with boys was likely due to that fact that Prof. Viets did not have extravagant ideas as to the future possibilities. He was modest himself and moderate and he never overstated a case.

Prof. Viets, though a professing Christian, and all his life identified with the Methodist Church, was a living creed of the Unitarian faith for to him the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man constituted the all.

Prof. Viets was married in 1877 to Miss Emma Cadwell of Richmond, Ohio, a sister of the late Judge J. P. Cadwell of Jefferson. Besides his widow, a daughter, Miss Grace Viets, who was educated in Jefferson and Cleveland survives him.

It is not easy for one who knew Prof. Viets thoroughly and intimately for forty years to write of him because one does not like to be extravagant even in speaking or writing of a friend. He was not a great man as the world knows greatness but he was great in that he adopted a course involving high moral principles and held to that course. This course did not take him to mighty heights nor where the spotlight played but it held him to a test of the manly and homely virtues and gave him as a reward all he wished for - peace, happiness, contentment and a loving regard for his fellow men.

Prof. Viets, though proud of his Ohio birth, was equally proud of his adopted State. He was wont to say that he and Texas "came into the Union the same year, and it were well they should remain together to the end." It is fitting that his mortal remains have found a resting place under the Lone Star State's soil.

If a gifted writer could have known him for forty years as I have known him, and knowing had understood him, and understanding were to set down an appreciation of Viets the man, as he was, as he lived, recording the spirit of his attainments, such a writer would not be fulsome in his praise but the simple story he could tell would be a classic.

Child:

i. Jessie Grace, born January 12, 1880 in Bloomfield, Trumbull County, Ohio; died March 26, 1923 in Los Angeles, unmarried.

Obituary, Native American

Miss Grace Viets died in Los Angeles on Monday March 26, 1923 at the age of forty-two years. Miss Viets was for some years engaged as "Camp Matron" at our East Farm Sanitorium, during which time she was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. A. H. Viets. Prior to service with us Miss Viets had held various assignments, among them a prolonged

stay with the Hopi as field matron at Chimopori Village. At the time of her reported death she was outing matron in Los Angeles.

Miss Viets was the daughter of the former Supt. A. H. Viets of Santa Fe and other schools from whom, and her splendid mother, she received the heritage and training, responsible, mainly for her fine womanhood. Hers was a life of unselfish and efficient service in the continued face of physical limitations that would have long since eliminated one of less strong character and determination.

Funeral services were conducted by the pastor of the Presbyterian Church, the services being attended by hundreds. Interment was made in Coleman cemetery.

Mrs. Viets died near Coleman, Texas, in April 1934.

281. (Edward Walton$^{6}$, Barzillia G.$^{5}$, Roswell$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Edward Walton Viets, son of Barzillia Granger and Hannah (Bushnell) Viets, was born in Conneaut, Ohio, July 28, 1847. He was educated at the Cleveland Homeopathic Medical College. His life work has been the practice of medicine and surgery, for a time at Lock Haven, Pennsylvania, and later at Plymouth, Indiana, where he resided. He married February 15, 1870 at LaPorte, Indiana, Ella Munday, daughter of Reuben Munday, a descendant of Lord Elgin of England. Her mother was Eleanor Waeir of Scottish descent. Dr. Viets died August 25, 1901; his widow died June 27, 1908. Child:

488. i. Bessie Munday, born March 8, 1873.

282. (Byron Bushnell$^{6}$, Barzillia$^{5}$, Roswell$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Byron Bushnell Viets, son of Barzillia Granger and Hannah (Bushnell) Viets, was born in Conneaut, Ohio, June 2, 1849. He studied at the Homeopathic College in Cleveland, and was professor of ophthalmology and otology in the Cleveland Medical College, oculist to the Huron St. Hospital, and lecturer in the training school for nurses.

Dr. Viets married Catherine Adelaide Matson, born in Ottawa, Illinois, January 20, 1848, daughter of Norman and Charlotte (Viets) Matson. [See No. 134.] They lived in the beautiful home of his parents at 1448 Lake Road which later served as Conneaut's first country club. The family lived in Cleveland and summered in Conneaut. During one summer, Dr. Byron performed a cataract operation on H. R. Benson, the next door neighbor, on Mr. Benson's kitchen table! Dr. Viets was renowned in this field and ahead of his time in this procedure, it is said. [History of Ashtabula County, Ohio, - Then and Now.] Both Dr. Viets and wife died in Los Angeles, California, he on October 30, 1931 and Mrs. Viets on December 18, 1926. [Data from Louise Passmore-Legeza, now residing in the home on Lake Road.] Children:

489. i. Verona Evelyn, born November 2, 1877.
ii. Vineta Anna, born August 20, 1880 in Ashtabula, Ohio; was graduated from the Brown Hathaway School for Young Ladies in June 1898 and spent one year traveling in Europe. She died in Cleveland, Ohio, July 1902.

283. (Julia E.$^{6}$, Armenus E.$^{5}$, Zopher$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Julia E. Viets, daughter of Armenus E. and Delia U. (Smith) Viets, was born August 26, 1844 in Ohio. She married December 12, 1865 Edward Bockenstone. [Ashtabula County, Ohio, VR, FHF#0890265.] He was listed as a "Showman" and she as an "Equestrian" in the 1870 census for Ashtabula County, Ohio. Several circuses were known to have had their winter quarters in Ashtabula County. She died July 5, 1887.

284. (Amanda E.,$^{6}$, Armenus E.$^{5}$, Zopher$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Amanda E. Viets, daughter of Armenus and Delia (Smith) Viets, was born in Conneaut, Ohio, February 22, 1851; married November 5, 1871 Frank A. Rogers, born June 12, 1840, son of Robert B. and Mariah Helen (Munger) Rogers. He died in May 1897. The family lived in Amboy, Ohio. Mrs. Rogers died January 23, 1931. Children:

i. Ollie M. Rogers, born 1872 or 1873. Unmarried.
ii. Ada Lorena Rogers, born May 18, 1874 in Amboy; married in May 1897 Edward Leslie Benson.
iii. Pearl H. Rogers, born September 28, 1876 in Amboy; married May 16, 1897 Charles Webster Campbell, born January 1876, son of James and Lillie (Deriah)? Campbell. Two children (Campbell).
iv. Carl Rogers, born May 29, 1881 in Amboy; married and has two daughters, Grace and Betty (Rogers).
v. Reva Rogers, born May 4, 1891 in Amboy; married July 2, 1913 Ralph K. Maltbie, a veteran of World War I, who was born in Braceville, Ohio, October 20, 1888, son of Marcus Edward and Miranda (Wolcott) Maltbie. Both Mr. and Mrs. Maltbie died March 1964. One son (Maltbie).

285. (Ada M.$^{6}$, Armenus E.$^{5}$, Zopher$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Ada M. Viets, daughter of Armenus E. and Delia (Smith) Viets, was born in Conneaut, Ohio, August 28, 1853. She married first, in 1873 George Risley, and second, on April 26, 1877 James A. Mills, born in Brookfield, Ohio, March 8, 1849, son of John and Sarah (Rose) Mills. He died in Los Angeles April 4, 1936; Mrs. Mills died in Portland, Oregon, June 16, 1914. Children:

i. Alberta F. Risley, born October 3, 1874 in South Manchester, Massachusetts, unmarried.
ii. Ray Mills, born April 10,1878 in Petrocia City, Butler County, Pennsylvania. He married July 2, 1913 Maude A. Irwin, born

June 20, 1882 in Soo [Sault Ste. Marie?], Michigan, daughter of George and Cornelia (Olds) Irwin. One daughter (Mills).

**286. (Eva Sophia[6], Shalor N.[5], Zopher[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])**

Eva Sophia Viets, daughter of Shalor Nelson and Catharine (Gillett) Viets, was born in Madison, Ohio, May 4, 1864; married on December 8, 1885 John H. Green, born in East Claridon, Ohio, November 17, 1863, son of Thomas and Hannah (Metzger) Green. He died June 12, 1927. Mrs. Green died in Lewiston, New York, July 2, 1951 and was buried in Madison, Ohio. Children:

i. Bessie M. Green, born in Madison, Ohio, February 4, 1887; married June 7, 1923 George Arthur MacKeown, born August 28, 1881 in Cleveland, Ohio, and died May 26, 1937 in Vallejo, California. Mr. and Mrs. MacKeown spent the first four years of their married life in China where Mr. MacKeown was connected with the Standard Oil Company. He enlisted in California and served overseas in World War I. No children.

ii. Carl S. Green, born in Hebron, Nebraska, November 8, 1888; died October 30, 1897.

iii. Ruth E. Green, born in Hastings, Nebraska, May 29, 1892; married August 17, 1916 the Reverend George Henry Bost, born in Homestead, Pennsylvania, February 9, 1892, son of Valentine and Laura (Raelke) Bost. The Reverend Mr. Bost was minister of the First Presbyterian Church in Lewiston, New York. Three children (Bost).

iv. Lois E. Green, born in Cleveland, Ohio, January 5, 1896; married August 23, 1917 Arthur Mochel, born in Galion, Ohio, July 26, 1895, son of George and Mary (Kraner) Mochel. In 1938 Mr. Mochel was with the Scripps-Howard Publishing Syndicate. Resided in Columbus, Ohio. Three children (Mochel).

v. Shalor Green, born in Glenville, Ohio, June 2, 1898; married August 9, 1919 Viletta Moodie, born in Cleveland, Ohio, March 12, 1898 daughter of Edwin and Ethalinda (Bassett) Moodie. Resided in West Palm Beach, Florida. Twin daughters (Green).

vi. Kathryn Eva Green, born in Cleveland, Ohio, January 14, 1901; married September 3, 1921 Daniel F. Light, born November 14, 1897 in Cleveland, son of Frederick W. and Emma (Raymond) Light. Mr. Light enlisted in the Navy from Ohio and served in World War I. Resided Springfield, Illinois. One daughter (Light).

vii. Dorothy Irene Green, born in Cleveland October 18, 1903; died December 3, 1918.

**287. (Jessie M.[6], Shalor N.[5], Zopher[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])**

Jessie M. Viets, daughter of Shalor Nelson and Catharine (Gillett) Viets, was born in Beloit, Wisconsin, August 20, 1865; married in Hebron, Nebraska, December 12, 1885 John T. Collister, born January 21, 1861 in New York, son of John Thomas and Helen (Foss) Collister. He died May 31, 1925. Children:

i. Nelson C. Collister, born October 29, 1886 in Nebraska; married October 4, 1919 Rilla Lamb. One child (Collister), died in infancy.

ii. Don Collister, born March 21, 1889 in Madison, Ohio; married October 17, 1914 Lucille Blanchard, born July 3, 1894 in Austinburg, Ohio, daughter of Charles Elton and Helen (Spencer) Blanchard. Four children (Collister).

iii. Viets Collister, born May 31, 1894; was a veteran of World War I and served in France. He left a widow and a young son, Viets Collister.

iv. E. Howard Collister, born July 10, 1896; died August 2, 1896.

v. Hiram A. Collister, born June 16, 1898 in Madison, Ohio; married October 4, 1919 Horta Gill. One son, Richard Collister.

vi. Francis Collister, born October 20, 1901 in Madison; married in 1931 Thelma Tomlinson. One son (Collister).

288. (Mabel Tacy$^{6}$, Shalor N.$^{5}$, Zopher$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Mabel Tacy Viets, daughter of Shalor Nelson and Catharine (Gillett) Viets, was born in Painesville, Lake County, Ohio, October 25, 1866; married March 14, 1889 John E. Kent, born March 16, 1870 in Madison, Ohio, son of John and Lorania (Burdick) Kent. He died August 19, 1897 in Madison. Children:

i. Maybelle E. Kent, born October 11, 1891; married August 5, 1915 William Moore, born September 7, 1893 in Winchester, Kentucky, son of Mark and Susan (Wilson) Moore. Two adopted daughters (Moore).

ii. Nellie Marie Kent, born April 8, 1897; died October 15, 1921. Unmarried.

289. (Kathleen L.$^{6}$, Shalor N.$^{5}$, Zopher$^{4}$, Seth$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Kathleen L. Viets, daughter of Shalor Nelson and Catharine (Gillett) Viets, was born in Conneaut, Ashtabula County, Ohio, March 16, 1869; married in Madison, Lake County, Ohio, April 18, 1894 Eugene Prouty, born in Mentor, Ohio, December 10, 1872, son of Royal and Mary (Crawford) Prouty. He was a retired employee of the New York Central Railroad at the time of his death in Bradenton, Florida, in April 1943. His widow died in Madison, Ohio, in November 1950. Children:

i. Eugene Royal Prouty, born in Cleveland, Ohio, February 8, 1896; died November 7, 1931. He served as an aerial gunner in World War I.

ii. Ralph Hillyer Prouty, born in Madison, Ohio, July 13, 1899; married September 25, 1918 Irene Mendlinger, born July 14, 1896 in Chicago, daughter of William and Fannie (Pulitzer) Mendlinger. Resided in Madison, Ohio. Two children (Prouty).

290. (Helen[6], [Gaylor[5], Zopher[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1]])

Helen Viets, adopted daughter of Gaylor and Ella (King) Viets, was born in Kinsman, Trumbull County, Ohio, October 6, 1873; married December 28, 1892 Charles Thatcher, M.D., born in Ligonier, Indiana, August 18, 1863, son of John and Leha (Long) Thatcher. Resided in Ashtabula, Ohio. Children:

i. George K. Thatcher, born September 17, 1896 in Kingsville, Ohio; married Inez Risley.
ii. Charles Allen Thatcher, born October 17, 1900; married Mildred Smith. One daughter (Thatcher).

291. (Byron Augustus[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Byron Augustus Viets, son of Byron and Milla (Kingsley) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, March 14, 1829 and died in Iola, Kansas, February 14, 1877. He married in West Salem, Wisconsin, March 3, 1852 Louisa M. Leonard, born in Minerva, New York, June 7, 1833. Her father, Thomas Leonard, was the founder of the city of West Salem and one of the principal streets bears his name. Children:

490. i. Olive Emeline, born January 10, 1854.
491. ii. Ida Viola, born March 30, 1856.
492. iii. Seymour Leonard, born June 8, 1858.

292. (Catharine[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Catharine Viets, daughter of Byron and Milla (Kingsley) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, July 5, 1831 and died in West Salem, Wisconsin, September 29, 1876. She was married in 1852 in LaCrosse, Wisconsin, by the the Reverend William Card to Almanzo Eldred, born in Otsego County, New York, January 26, 1818. He was one of the first settlers of Wisconsin, the first sheriff of LaCrosse County, a hunter, and Indian scout, and was made a medicine man by the Winnebago Indians. He died May 10, 1904. Children:

i. William Eldred, born August 3, 1854 in LaCrosse, Wisconsin; married there on May 2, 1875 Nellie Tiffany, born in County Lathraus [?], Ireland, February 2, 1859. She died October 13, 1918; Mr. Eldred died May 3, 1935. Three children (Eldred).
ii. Milla Eldred, born in Neshonac, Wisconsin, February 15, 1857; married in Sparta, Wisconsin, on September 30, 1874 Irbenri D. Howe, born in East Cobleskill, New York, August 31, 1849, son of Benjamin S. and Olive (Rulandt) Howe. He died in San Jose, California, April 12, 1900; Mrs. Howe died in May, Idaho, January 7, 1941. Her daughter, Mrs. Hesner, wrote of her mother, "She made friends wherever she was, as she had a very lovable disposition." Seven children (Howe).
iii. Milton Eldred, born in West Salem, Wisconsin, January 14, 1860; married May 9, 1893 Jessie May Fairchild, born in Lee County,

Illinois, January 4, 1872, daughter of Charles and Samantha (Mikesell) Fairchild. Mr. Eldred died January 21, 1935 in San Diego, California. One daughter (Eldred).

293. (Apollos Kingsley[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Apollos Kingsley Viets, son of Byron and Milla (Kingsley) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, October 30, 1833 and died in West Salem, Wisconsin, December 10, 1888. He married in Warren, Ohio, July 31, 1859 Aurelia Leete.

Apollos Kingsley Viets, at the age of about eighteen, was attacked by the California gold fever and, in company with a large caravan, made the perilous overland journey from Omaha, Nebraska, by ox-team, the trip taking from six to nine months. They were often attacked by the Indians, losing a considerable number of their small company. At night they formed their wagons in a circle with the oxen in the center and guards outside. Many are the tales of adventure and hardships told of this terrible trip, of hand to hand conflicts with the Indians, the war whoop waking them in the dead of night, of days and weeks with little water or food, of the immense herds of buffalo, etc.

After six or seven years in California, Mr. Viets returned to the LaCrosse valley, and in 1858 went to Ohio, where he married, soon afterwards removing to West Salem, where he engaged in the mercantile business very successfully. He was also postmaster at the time. In 1863 gold was discovered in the Black Hills of Dakota and Mr. Viets made another overland trip. After a year's absence he returned to take charge of his business enterprises at home, where he was a grain dealer and stock buyer, and owned a hardware store and a general store. About 1875 he disposed of his various business interests and opened a drug store, which he ran successfully until the time of his death.

He was considered a good financier, and one whose judgment was sought on important matters. At his death he owned a handsome residence in West Salem, several business blocks, and a fine drug store. He was a charter member of the Masonic Lodge in West Salem. He held important town offices and trusts of various nature.

Obituary, July 15, 1937, newspaper unknown

Mrs. Aurelia Leete Viets, 97, whose genealogy dates back without a break to 1209 in the reign of King John, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jessie Leissring, early Thursday evening. One of the oldest residents living in LaCrosse, Mrs. Viets was born on September 24, 1839 in Brookfield, Ohio, daughter of Dr. George Leete and Jane Chew. Dr. Leete was fifth in descent from Gov. William Leete of Guilford, Connecticut. Gov. Leete, born in 1612 at Huntingtonshire, England was governor of the New Haven and Connecticut colonies from 1677 to 1783 [sic]. Mrs. Viets lived in West Salem ten years after the death of her husband on December 10, 1888 before joining her daughter in LaCrosse.

At West Salem Mrs. Viets was a member of the Congregational Church and

the Eastern Star Masonic Lodge. Surviving are two daughters, two sons, eight grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

The Rev. G. Paul Stowell, pastor of the Congregational Church of LaCrosse will conduct the services Saturday at 4 p.m. Interment will be made in the West Salem cemetery.

Children:

493. i. Carrie Baker, born July 29, 1860; married Clayton Leander Viets. [See No. 497.]
494. ii. Jessie Fremont, born February 2, 1862.
495. iii. Frank Abner, born February 2, 1868.
496. iv. George Byron, born October 18, 1869.

**294. (Leander$^{6}$, Byron$^{5}$, Abner$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Leander Viets, son of Byron and Milla (Kingsley) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, May 14, 1836 and died in Augusta, Kansas, April 14, 1895. He married first, Lois Smith, April 27, 1856 in Fowler; married second, Anna M. French August 16, 1878 in Augusta, Kansas. [Kansas Marriage Book 1885-1890, FHF#0874354 Item 6.]

Leander Viets moved to West Salem, Wisconsin, about 1860 where he engaged in the mercantile business until 1870 when he moved to Towanda, Butler County, Kansas. There he continued his general store and owned a large sheep ranch until his death April 19, 1895. He was a very upright and religious man, a church member and a Knight Templar. After the death of Mr. Viets, Anna M. married John A. Hiet. She died August 18, 1929 and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Augusta, Kansas. [Cemetery records transcribed by A. J. Viets, of Dallas, Texas, May 31, 1985.] Children, by first marriage:

497. i. Clayton Leander, born May 16, 1858.
498. ii. Charles Allison, born October 16, 1862.
iii. Ernest, born March 1870; died July 1870.

By second marriage:
iv. Milla K., born July 31, 1879; died October 23, 1898 of diabetes in West Salem and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Augusta, Kansas.
499. v. Arthur James, born February 9, 1881.
500. vi. Ethel M., born July 15, 1885.

**295. (Mary Almira$^{6}$, Byron$^{5}$, Abner$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Mary Almira Viets, daughter of Byron and Milla (Kingsley) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, April 3, 1839; married in Orangeville, Pennsylvania, March 25, 1856 Hulbert A. Higley, born at Onondaga Hill, New York, January 10, 1828, son of Warren Alson and Permelia (Duell) Higley. Soon after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Higley went to the State of Wisconsin and settled on a farm in Neshonac, LaCrosse County. They afterwards resided in Dakota, now North

Dakota, and still later in New Whatcom, Washington, now Bellingham, where Mr. Higley died January 24, 1901. His widow died in Kent, Washington, in February 1921. Children:

i. Lenora Emma Higley, born in Neshonac, Wisconsin, April 26, 1857; married in Centerville, Wisconsin, on December 22, 1875 Zalmon Spenser Martin of that town. He was born August 3, 1851. Both Mr. and Mrs. Martin died in Bellingham, she on December 7, 1923 and he on December 2, 1933. Five children (Martin).

ii. Warren Apollos Higley, born September 6, 1858 in Neshonac, Wisconsin; died unmarried in Jamestown, North Dakota, May 31, 1914.

iii. Emma Jane Higley, born June 11, 1863 in Neshonac; married March 30, 1881 in Hale, Wisconsin, William J. Gordon. She married second, in Jamestown, North Dakota, on December 11, 1888 Ernest Elwood Martin, born October 7, 1861 in Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, son of Ralph and Lydia (Warner) Martin. He died May 2, 1934 at Mount Hebron, California, on the home ranch. One son (Gordon). Three children (Martin).

iv. Florence Permelia Higley, born October 11, 1866 in Trempealeau, Wisconsin; married December 29, 1891 in Bellingham, Washington, Robert O'Neil, born January 16, 1865 in Portage, Wisconsin, son of James and Grace M. (Smith) O'Neil. Both Mr. and Mrs. O'Neil died in Oregon, he in 1941 and his widow in 1942. One daughter (O'Neil).

v. Nellie May Higley, born January 27, 1870.

vi. Marion Julietta Higley, born December 7, 1879.

vii. Samantha Higley, born May 14, 1882 in North Dakota.

296. (Samantha$^{6}$, Byron$^{5}$, Abner$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Samantha Viets, daughter of Byron and Milla (Kingsley) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, December 13, 1841; married first, in Bangor, Wisconsin, on May 10, 1863 William McGeoch, born in Wigton, Scotland, in 1843 and died in 1875. She married second, in Parrot City, Colorado, in 1877 James Harrison Ratliff, born in Kentucky and died in August 1883.

Mrs. Ratliff was educated at Oberlin College, and at the age of fifty-two took a course at the San Jose, California, State Normal School, graduating with honors. She taught some twenty-five years. She died at Steamboat Springs, Colorado, in 1902. Children, by first marriage:

i. William Watson McGeoch, born 1864; died 1895; married Rose Robertson.

ii. Byron Viets McGeoch, born 1871; died 1895; married Josephine Davenport. Two sons (McGeoch).

iii. Margaret Matilda McGeoch, born on the plains in a covered wagon, the nearest destination Trinidad, Colorado, on May 23, 1873. She married June 14, 1891 John Edward Weaver, born in Windsor Locks February 6, 1870, son of Edward Maurice and Emma A.

(Robinson) Weaver. He died December 12, 1936. Six children (Weaver).

iv. J. Douglas McGeoch, born 1875; died 1896.

By second marriage:

v. James Harry Ratliff, born January 12, 1879 in Mancos, Colorado; married August 23, 1903 Mary E. Blackburn, born February 11, 1882 in Clay Center, Kansas, daughter of Thomas Locke and Iola (White) Blackburn. Mr. Ratliff was a mining engineer. Resided in Vernal, Utah, in 1921. Two daughters (Ratliff).

## 297. (John Flavel[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

John Flavel Viets, son of Byron and Milla (Kingsley) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, January 14, 1844; married in Sparta, Wisconsin, September 20, 1869 Lucy Ann Pitkin, born in Barnett, Illinois, June 18, 1847, daughter of James A. and Elizabeth (Coe) Pitkin. Mr. Viets was a soldier for the Union in the Civil War. He and his wife resided in Wisconsin until they removed to Garner, Iowa, in 1870. In 1888 they removed to Augusta, Kansas, where they lived on a stock ranch. Mr. Viets died November 10, 1932 age eighty-eight years; his widow died March 4, 1937 age eighty-nine years. Children:

501. i. Cora E., born August 6, 1870.
502. ii. Nellie P., born May 2, 1872.
503. iii. Byron James, born September 23, 1873.
504. iv. Lulu L. (twin), born October 31, 1875.
505. v. Zulu Z. (twin), born October 31, 1875.
506. vi. Frank Garfield, born August 25, 1881.
507. vii. Milla K., born July 9, 1883.
508. viii. Flavel John, born March 5, 1885.

## 298. (Cassius Marcellus[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Cassius Marcellus Viets, son of Byron and Milla (Kingsley) Viets, was born in Waupun, Wisconsin, September 19, 1845 on the first visit of his parents to the state. During the early sixties he was on the frontier in Montana, mining and fighting the Indians. He went to Kansas with his brother Leander in 1870 and shortly after to Colorado where he engaged in stock raising and mining. He was a story teller of frontier life and Indian warfare, and a reader of science. He did considerable excavating in the cliff-dwellings of southwestern Colorado. He worked one year for the museum of Harvard University, and one of his collections went to the World's Fair in Chicago.

In 1903 he made a trip overland by wagon from Rifle, Colorado, to Missoula, Montana, in search of better opportunities. The original destination was the wheat country of Alberta, but after wintering in Montana he returned the following summer to Rifle. He was accompanied on this trip by his wife, daughter Edna, and sons Stanley and Floyd. He spent his remaining years on a

small ranch near Rifle and retained an active interest in current affairs until his death on February 11, 1921.

Mr. Viets married on March 15, 1874 Elwelda Olsen in Weston, Las Animas County, Colorado. She was born in Winnebago, Oshkosh County, Wisconsin, September 18, 1852, daughter of Oliver Olsen from Norway and Lois (Buskirk) Olsen. She died in Burbank, Los Angeles County, California, September 2, 1933 and is buried there. Children, born in Colorado:

509. i. Lulu, born July 8, 1875.
510. ii. Edna, born August 17, 1878.
iii. Stanley Oliver, born February 3, 1882 in Mancos, Montezuma County, Colorado. Unmarried. Resided in Baldwin Park, California. He died January 28, 1957 in Ventura County, California. [California VR, FHM#6332561.]
511. iv. Floyd Harvey, born March 23, 1889.

Reference: Ancestral Computer File, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.

**299. (Alonzo D.$^{6}$, Drayton$^{5}$, Abner$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Alonzo D. Viets, son of Drayton and Caroline (Segar) Viets, was born January 14, 1829 in Massachusetts; married October 25, 1877 in Ionia, Michigan, Adelia Burgher (Crothers?), born September 1833. [IGI, Michigan, 1988.] He was a farmer in Holton, Muskegon County, Michigan. Child:

i. Minerva D., born April, 1851 in Michigan. [1900 census, Muskegon County, Cedar Creek Township, Michigan.]

**300. (Oliver O.$^{6}$, Drayton$^{5}$, Abner$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Oliver O. Viets, son of Drayton and Caroline (Segar) Viets, was born February 7, 1832 in Ohio and died June 7, 1862; married about 1856 Mary Ann Purdy. She was born April 1836 in Michigan and was listed in Branch County, Michigan, in the 1900 census. Mr. Viets was a jeweler. Child:

512. i. Morey Oliver, born January 1859.

**301. (Abner C.$^{6}$, Drayton$^{5}$, Abner$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Abner C. Viets, son of Drayton and Caroline (Segar) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, June 21, 1837; married January 1, 1860 Leonora E. Clark, born in Fowler, March 4, 1841, daughter of Leonard and Lucy (Olds) Clark. She died November 24, 1921; Mr. Viets died in Fowler July 7, 1871. Children, born in Fowler:

513. i. Effie Sarah, born January 8, 1861.
514. ii. Carrie Elzaida, born April 18, 1863.
515. iii. Drayton Alonzo, born February 24, 1866.

516. iv. Leonard Clark, born December 23, 1957.
517. v. Abner C. Jr., born November 30, 1870.

302. (Orville Daken[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Orville Daken Viets, son of Drayton and Caroline (Segar) Viets, was born July 14, 1838 in Maple Grove, Barry County, Michigan; married first, on December 31, 1861 Elzaida B. Terrell, born January 31, 1840 in Johnston, Ohio, and died December 28, 1875. He married second, in Cortland, Ohio, on May 3, 1877 Joanna W. Storier, born August 4, 1844 in Gustavus, Ohio, daughter of David and Catherine (Smith) Storier, both natives of Paisley, Scotland. Mr. Viets was a nursery dealer for more than thirty-six years, doing an extensive business in fruit trees, ornamental shrubs, and flowers in Cortland, Ohio. He died July 28, 1911; his widow died August 9, 1925 in Cortland. Children, by first marriage:

518. i. Lavern William, born January 12, 1864.
ii. Claudias S., born August 28, 1868 in Johnston, Ohio. Died unmarried on January 14, 1910.
iii. Ella Elzaida, born December 29, 1870; married Anson Vesy. She died October 28, 1892.

By second marriage:

519. iv. Ward J., born July 20, 1878.

303. (Dudley Leroy[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Dudley Leroy Viets, son of Drayton and Caroline (Segar) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, June 21, 1845. He married first, on March 27, 1872 Emma J Holcomb, born in Ohio in 1846, daughter of Webster and Harriet (Ducker) Holcomb. She died February 27, 1876. He married second, on March 15, 1882 Helen J. Fitch, born February 20, 1857 in Girard, Ohio, daughter of Charles L. and Eliza (Hedglin) Fitch. She died October 19, 1932 in Cleveland, Ohio. Mr. Viets was in the nursery business about forty years. He resided in Fowler and later in Warren, Ohio, where he died December 20, 1906. Children, by first marriage:

520. i. Arthur W., born January 1, 1873.
521. ii. William W., born July 11, 1875.

By second marriage:

522. iii. Eugene Elmo, born December 26, 1886.
iv. Frederick Clay (sometimes called Clayton), born February 3, 1888 in Fowler and died in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, June 21, 1947 where he had been a successful commercial photographer for a number of years. Unmarried. He resided in Oakdale, Pennsylvania.

304. (Henry Albert[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Henry Albert Viets, son of Drayton and Caroline (Segar) Viets, was born May 26, 1847 in Fowler, Ohio; married on January 1, 1869 Lucy S. Clark, born March 5, 1852 in Fowler, daughter of Leonard C. and Lucy (Olds) Clark. Mr. Viets and his family resided on the old Viets' place in Fowler. He died September 14, 1918; his wife died in September 1913. Children, born in Fowler:

523. i. Van Buren Dudley, born July 11, 1871.
ii. Daisy C., born April 19, 1873; died June 3, 1873.
524. iii. Harriet Odel, born June 2, 1874.
525. iv. Lottie Emma, born July 19, 1876.
526. v. Edna Lucy, born February 21, 1878.
527. vi. Nellie Johan, born December 11, 1880.

305. (Sarah[6], Oliver[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Sarah Viets, daughter of Dr. Oliver and Anne (Story) Viets, was born in 1841 at Sacket's Harbor, New York. She married first, a Mr. Littlefield; second, a dentist (name unknown); and her third husband was Byron J. Diefendorf of Chicago, born at Fort Plain, New York, and died in Philadelphia in 1913. His widow died in the same city in March 1921. No children.

306. (Oliver Byron[6], Oliver[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Oliver Byron Viets, son of Dr. Oliver and Anne (Story) Viets, was born about 1844 at Sacket's Harbor, New York; married Mary Augusta Dutcher of Belleville, New York, born September 1846, daughter of John and Charlotte (Converse) Dutcher. Both Mr. and Mrs. Viets died in Schenectady, New York, Mr. Viets on June 8, 1904 and his widow on March 25, 1907. Children, born in Woodville, New York:

528. i. Charles Sumner, born March 21, 1873.
529. ii. Harry Dutcher, born April 26, 1884.

307. (Annis[6], Lathrop[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Annis Viets, daughter of Lathrop and Lavinia (Kellogg) Viets, was born March 30, 1838 in Fowler, Ohio, and died in Burns, Wisconsin, January 18, 1873. She married December 11, 1859 Barlow B. Cronk. Children:

i. Clara Cronk.
ii. Eva Cronk.
iii. Drayton Cronk.

These children were living in South Dakota about 1900, but there was no record of them there in 1940 [HIV]. Several of the name Cronk resided at Long Beach, California. Letters sent to three of them remain unanswered.

308. (Henry Leslie[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Henry Leslie Viets, son of Lathrop A. and Lavinia (Kellogg) Viets, was born March 18, 1840 presumably in Fowler, Ohio. He married March 10, 1861 in LaCrosse, Wisconsin, Mary Ann Parker, born January 1, 1844 in New York and died in Dishman, Spokane County, Washington, August 17, 1916. A "Henry L. Viets" is listed as having served with Wisconsin infantry and his pension application was filed from Minnesota. [Pension Records Index, Civil War, FHF#541245.] Mr. Viets died at Parkers Prairie, Minnesota, October 16, 1895. Children:

530. i. John A., born January 12, 1863.
531. ii. Lathrop Enoch, born November 24, 1869.
532. iii. Daisy Carrie, born April 4, 1884.

309. (Sarah Frances[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Sarah Frances Viets, daughter of Hobart Benoni and Martha (Higgins) Viets, was born September 1, 1845 in New Harmony, Indiana; married in 1862 James M. Tanner. She died in 1927. Resided in Barlow, Kentucky. Children:

i. Ada Byron Tanner, born January 2, 1863; died October 10, 1864.
ii. Robert Henry Tanner, born August 6, 1864.
iii. William Elias Tanner, born March 16, 1866; married and had a family.
iv. Jessie Madison Tanner, born January 20, 1868; died August 2, 1868.
v. Hubert Byrd Tanner, born May 30, 1869; married and had a family.
vi. Minnie Lee Tanner, born March 6, 1871.
vii. George W. Tanner (twin), born September 8, 1873; married Hattie _____; had a family and resided in Barlow.
viii. Josie Tanner (twin), born September 8, 1873; died September 3, 1899.
ix. Guss L. Tanner, born May 9, 1875; died March 1, 1877.
x. Della May Tanner, born November 11, 1877. Unmarried, resided in Barlow.
xi. Mattie J. Tanner, born September 19, 1879; died December 1, 1881.
xii. James Francis Tanner, born November 30, 1881.
xiii. Gordon E. Tanner (twin), born October 9, 1884.
xiv. Myrtle Agnes Tanner (twin), born October 9, 1884.
xv. Ward Beecher Tanner, born March 18, 1887; married and had a family.

310. (Robert Rudd[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert Rudd Viets, son of Hobart Benoni and Amelia (Higgins) Viets, was born February 1850 in Connecticut. He married about 1873 Sarah E. _____, born December 1854 in Kentucky. The family was living in Ballard County, Kentucky, in the 1900 and 1910 census. Children, born in Kentucky:

i. Amelia K., born December 18, 1877.
ii. William F., born January 1880.
iii. Alice M., born March 1883.
iv. Hattie, born May 1885.
v. Leota, born May 1889.
533. vi. Joshua Quincy, born May 8, 1891.
vii. Carl L., born October 1897.

311. (William Hobart[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

William Hobart Viets, son of Hobart Benoni and Amelia (Higgins) Viets, was born July 5, 1854 in Kentucky; married in Indiana on January 16, 1885 Willa Mina Hancock, born May 19, 1868 in Posey County, Indiana, daughter of Jourdan and Jane (Dunivan) Hancock. After the death of his father William Hobart was raised by his uncle, Rudd Viets. He was a farmer and lost an arm in a farm accident. He died April 10, 1921 in New Harmony, Indiana; his widow died August 19, 1932 in LaCenter, Kentucky. Both are buried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in New Harmony. Children:

i. Rudd, born June 7, 1886; died November 16, 1886.
534. ii. William Hobart "Bill," born September 30, 1887.
iii. Edward, born August 9, 1889; died September 12, 1889.
535. iv. Marcia Lunette, born November 2, 1890.
536. v. Helen Corbin, born March 23, 1893.
537. vi. Ralph Marshal, born March 11, 1895. [1885?]
538. vii. Bryan Walcott, born February 20, 1897.
539. viii. Lolo Margaret, born February 19, 1899.
540. ix. Frederick Gentry, born September 28, 1900.

312. (Mary Susan[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Susan Viets, daughter of Hobart Benoni and Amelia (Higgins) Viets, was born November 20, 1856; married in December 1870 William Renberger, a native of Owensboro, Kentucky, who died prior to 1902. His widow died in New Harmony, Indiana, August 20, 1906. [Cox, Posey County Cemetery Records 1814-1979.] Child:

i. John "Jack" Viets Renberger, born June 5, 1874. He went by the name of Viets. He married first, Edna Ades, born in Griffin, Indiana. Name of second wife unknown. Jack lived in or near Grayville, Illinois. One daughter by first marriage.

313. (John Oscar[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

John Oscar Viets, son of Hobart Benoni and Amelia (Higgins) Viets, was born January 21, 1863 in Barlow, Kentucky; married August 4, 1883 Sarah Elizabeth Cox, born September 13, 1866 in Harmony, Indiana, daughter of John Harrison and Melvina (Shirley) Cox. She died April 9, 1933 and is buried in Mt.

Pleasant Cemetery in New Harmony. Mr. Viets died at age ninety-four, May 8, 1957 and is buried beside his wife.

From newspaper clipping, no name, no date [1956?], Poseyville, Indiana:

One of North Posey County's best-known senior residents is looking forward with great interest to the approaching election when he will cast his vote for Dwight D. Eisenhower for President of the United States.

The 1956 election will round out 72 years of balloting for John O. Viets of Route 2, Poseyville, who will observe his 94th birthday Jan. 21. Viets is particularly proud of that record and doesn't hesitate to say all of his votes were in the GOP column. "I never did scratch my ticket," he says, "but there have been times I didn't vote in township elections because a Democratic friend was running for trustee."

He lost his first vote in 1884 when Grover Cleveland defeated James G. Blaine to become the first Democratic President since the Civil War.

In good health and moderately active, Viets still resides in his farm home west of Stewartsville with his son Ishmael. His wife, Sarah Cox Viets, a member of a pioneer Robb Township family, died in 1933. He has two other sons, Hobart of Poseyville, a retired teacher, and Percy of Evansville.

Viets scoffs at physical checkups, medicine, and "miracle drugs." His only medicine, he says, was hard work and plenty of it. He takes life in stride and doesn't believe "worry ever helped anything." He attributes his longevity to outdoor work and insists a man isn't old until he stops looking at pretty girls. . . .

Mr. Viets suffered a fall when returning from the election polls, breaking a hip which resulted in his death. Children:

541. i. Hobart, born March 28, 1885.
ii. May, born April 18, 1887; died April 28, 1887.
542. iii. Ishmael, born January 17, 1890.
543. iv. Percy, born July 18, 1893.

**314. (Sophia A.$^{6}$, Seymour S.$^{5}$, Samuel$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Sophia A. Viets, daughter of Seymour Samuel and Maria (Olds) Viets, was born in 1824 in Granby; married first, in Westfield, Massachusetts, on November 15, 1840 Edward Merriman, born probably in Windsor, son of Joseph and Mary (Hoskins) Merriman. He died August 23, 1860. Mrs. Merriman married on August 7, 1865 Wells R. Cook. She died January 18, 1892 in Windsor. Children, by first marriage:

i. Morton Edward Merriman, born December 27, 1841 and died December 27, 1872 leaving a wife and children.

ii. Celestine Elizabeth Merriman, born May 16, 1844; married William H. Noll. She died in March 1918. No children.

iii. Seymour Viets Merriman, born September 14, 1847 in Poquonock, Windsor; married October 29, 1879 Belle Wright, born at Lake George, New York, February 24, 1859, daughter of Oscar and Elizabeth (Ryder) Wright. She died October 10, 1926; Mr. Merriman died March 6, 1935. They resided in Syracuse, New York. One daughter (Merriman).

iv. Ellen Alvira Merriman, born November 2, 1849; died December 23, 1851.

v. Eliza Odell Merriman, born June 11, 1853 in Tariffville; died September 17, 1886. She married on July 4, 1869 in Windsor, Austin P. Stowell of East Granby, born in Chelsea, Massachusetts, son of Austin C. and Hannah (Powers) Stowell. He died May 27, 1931. Four children (Stowell).

vi. Elsie Maria Merriman, born February 8, 1855 in East Granby or Tariffville; married July 31, 1873 William Alford, born March 16, 1848 in Poquonock, Windsor, son of William Euclid and Marietta (Keeney) Alford. Mr. and Mrs. Alford moved to Kansas about 1877 and later made their home in Oklahoma. Mr. Alford died February 20, 1909; Mrs. Alford died June 4, 1936. Five children (Alford).

vii. Kate Luess Merriman, born October 29, 1857 in East Granby; married first in East Granby on May 12, 1880 Edwin C. Bates, born in Enfield, son of Alfred and Ruth (Snow) Bates. He died in Enfield February 7, 1885. His widow married on September 24, 1889 Frank Alford, born in Windsor, December 17, 1856, son of William Euclid and Marietta (Keeney) Alford. He died in Windsor November 9, 1923. Mrs. Alford died at her home in Poquonock, Windsor, on June 4, 1941. Two children (Bates). Five children (Alford).

By second marriage:

viii. Nellie Jane Cook, born August 21, 1869; died August 21, 1876.

315. (Samuel Willis$^{6}$, Seymour S.$^{5}$, Samuel$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Samuel Willis Viets, son of Seymour Samuel and Maria (Olds) Viets, was born in Windsor. From Granby vital records: "Samuel Willis Viets, age twenty-four, of Windsor and Caroline Terry of Granby, aged 19, married June 27, 1849." Caroline Terry, born November 1831 in Connecticut, was a daughter of Stephen and Caroline (Case) Terry.

Mr. Viets learned the trade of cabinet-maker in the Windsor chair works, but followed the business of moving buildings with his brother-in-law, Edward Merriman. Later he carried on this business on his own account in Jersey City, New Jersey, New York City, and on Long Island. He moved in 1856 to Forester, Michigan, where he was superintendant of an important building and mechanical firm, erecting numerous mills and other buildings, being the

architect as well as the builder. He held the office of clerk and treasurer of Forester Township for eighteen years and was director of the public schools for twenty years. He received little schooling himself, having never attended school after he was fourteen years old, but was an extraordinary mathematician and a great reader.

In politics he was a life-long Democrat. His religious connection was with the Methodist church. He was a man of high moral character, his word was as good as his bond, and he used no profane language. He was disabled during the later years of his life by a stroke of paralysis and died March 8, 1899 leaving a widow and seven children. His widow died January 12, 1918. Children:

544. i. Henrietta Maria, born April 1, 1851.
545. ii. Frederick S., born October 23, 1854.
546. iii. Eva J., born February 4, 1857.
547. iv. Kathrine M., born April 25, 1859.
v. Florence B., born 1863; died in Michigan, December 1914. Unmarried.
548. vi. Caroline B., born July 14, 1865.
549. vii. Samuel James, born November 13, 1869.

**316. (Ellen Jane$^{6}$, Seymour S.$^{5}$, Samuel$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Ellen Jane Viets, daughter of Seymour Samuel and Maria (Olds) Viets, was born November 23, 1831 in Becket, Massachusetts; married January 1, 1850 [VR, Suffield] Charles Anson Smith, born October 4, 1824, son of Joseph Smith. Mr. Smith was a Civil War veteran. He was a harness manufacturer in Suffield where he died October 18, 1894. [VR, Suffield.] Mrs. Smith died January 8, 1909 in Suffield. Children:

i. Edgar Norwood Smith, born July 2, 1850; died in Florida. He had a grocery business in Windsor, Connecticut, and in Springfield, Massachusetts. He traveled for the Derby Silver Company of Birmingham, Connecticut, for five years. No children. [Moore, Andrew Moore and His Descendants.]

ii. Charles Orville Smith, born September 24, 1853 in Suffield; married May 15, 1889 Grace Hunting Harvey, born May 26, 1864 in Windsor, daughter of William and Rhoda Ann (Griswold) Harvey. Mr. Smith was a harness-maker in Suffield for many years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Smith died in Windsor, Mrs. Smith prior to 1940 and Mr. Smith on February 24, 1940. One daughter (Smith) died in Suffield as a child.

iii. Frederick Arthur Smith, born July 25, 1855 in Suffield; married May 28, 1884 Cora Bell Austin, born in Suffield, November 2, 1861, daughter of Thomas Cornelius and Harriet (Hathaway) Austin. She attended the public schools of the town and the Connecticut Literary Institution in Suffield. She was a member of the First

Congregational Church of her home town. She died October 29, 1920 in the house where she was born. Mr. Smith died April 14, 1896 in Suffield where he lived on the home farm. Three children (Smith).

iv. George Letts Smith, born October 22, 1858 in Lexington, Ohio; married first, Florence Fielding of Hartford. Married second, on September 12, 1899 in West Suffield, Vienna Lorinda Viets, born in West Suffield, May 11, 1872, daughter of Seth Allen and Mary Jane (Rowley) Viets. [See No. 602.] Mr. Smith was a farmer and tobacco grower in Suffield. He died September 12, 1930 in Springfield, Massachusetts. Seven children (Smith).

v. Minnie Isabelle Smith, born November 20, 1860 in Suffield; married April 20, 1878 Melville Edwin Hungerford, born in Poquonock, Windsor, son of Joseph Chapman and Helen Maria (Clark) Hungerford. Mrs. Hungerford died in Suffield June 29, 1903. Three children (Hungerford).

**317. (William Chauncey[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

William Chauncey Vietts [sic], son of Seymour Samuel and Maria (Olds) Viets, was born May 22, 1834 in Westfield, Massachusetts. He married in South Windsor, December 1, 1858 Harriet Sophronia Chapin Chandler, born November 4, 1842 in Belchertown, Massachusetts, daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Chapin) Chandler. The family resided in Suffield near Thompsonville. Mr. Viets died August 8, 1907 in Suffield and his widow died there August 31, 1938 at age ninety-five.

Obituary, Springfield Union, August, 1938

Mrs. Harriet C. Vietts, 95, the oldest resident of Suffield, died Friday night at her home on River Boulevard, after an illness of one week. She was born in Belchertown, Massachusetts, November 4, 1842, daughter of Professor Samuel and Sarah Chapin Chandler. She had been a resident of Suffield for 73 years and the last 67 years had resided in the home where she died.

Mrs. Vietts was the oldest member of the First Presbyterian Church in Thompsonville. Her husband, William C. Vietts, died in August 1907. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. George A. Douglass and Mrs. Hortense A. Randall, both of Suffield; six grandchildren and five great grandchildren. The funeral will be in the home Sunday and burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Suffield.

Children:

550. i. Hortense Alethea, born February 23, 1862.
551. ii. Florentia Cleodora, born May 24, 1864.
552. iii. Herbert Leon, born January 31, 1867.

318. (Maria Salome[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Maria Salome Viets, daughter of Seymour Samuel and Maria (Olds) Viets, was born June 4, 1842; married November 13, 1860 Edward M. Capron, born December 3, 1825 in Albany, New York, son of Benjamin C. and Margaret (Ratcliffe) Capron. They resided in Suffield. Children:

i. Charles Elmer Capron, born August 17, 1861; married and had one son (Capron).
ii. Florence Anna Capron, born July 1, 1864; married Charles M. Haynes of Springfield, Massachusetts. One daughter (Haynes).
iii. Benjamin Seymour Capron, born April 19, 1873. Unmarried.

319. (Cynthia Isabel[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Cynthia Isabel Viets, daughter of Seymour Samuel and Maria (Olds) Viets, was born June 22, 1844; married December 20, 1864 [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314] James McCormick, born in 1831 in Flushing, Long Island, New York, son of Robert and Mary (Young) McCormick. He died in 1917; his wife died in Windsor February 19, 1901. Children:

i. Bertha Viets McCormick, born October 22, 1866; died in Hartford July 4, 1937. She was a lifelong resident of Windsor. She taught school for several years and after retiring did private tutoring. She was a prominent member of Grace Episcopal Church, a member of the Woman's Guild and other women's organizations of the church, and a member of the board of the Church Home of Hartford.
ii. Agnes Gertrude McCormick, born August 5, 1871; died in Hartford in September 1946. Unmarried.
iii. Robert James McCormick, born February 1875; married Edith Tuttle of Hartford. He died October 8, 1951 in Pelham, New Hampshire. No children.
iv. Ralph Hamilton McCormick, born March 14, 1886; married Blanche Chamberlain of West Hartford. He died in 1933. Two children (McCormick).

320. (Mary Susan[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Susan Viets, daughter of Seymour Samuel and Maria (Olds) Viets, was born March 17, 1846 in Suffield. She married Frederick Chilson House, born November 17, 1843 in Plymouth, Vermont, son of Roy Albert House. She died May 9, 1886 in Windsor; Mr. House died in 1919 in East Granby. Children, born in Windsor:

i. Albert Hammond House, born June 12, 1870; married first Jennie A. Simons. After her death he married on June 29, 1931 Isabel N. Lawrence. Mr. House died in Hartford November 29, 1931. No children.

ii. Ida May House, born May 15, 1876; married Herbert N. Cotton. She died in 1924. No children.

321. (Wordsworth Bertrand[6], Apollos P.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Wordsworth Bertrand Viets, son of Apollos Phelps and Henrietta Louisa (Webster) Viets, was born at Hancock, Massachusetts, November 18, 1854. He married June 6, 1906 in Polk County, Oregon, Blanche B. Whalen. [VR, Courthouse, Polk County, Oregon.] He was listed as a widowed farmer at Rickreall, Oregon, in the 1910 Polk County census. Mrs. Viets died June 5, 1907 in Marion County, Oregon. Mr. Viets died August 12, 1919 in Washington County, Oregon. [Oregon deaths, Roll 3, Spokane, Washington, Public Library.] No known children.

322. (Mary Louisa[6], Apollos P.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Louisa Viets, daughter of the Reverend Apollos Phelps and Henrietta (Webster) Viets, was born in Hancock, Massachusetts, June 16, 1858. She married Wilfred L. Horton. She died February 7, 1935 in Waterbury.

Obituary, newspaper unknown

Mrs. Mary Louise (Viets) Horton, wife of Wilfred L. Horton, died yesterday (February 7, 1935) at her home in Waterbury after a long illness. Mrs. Horton was born in Hancock, Massachusetts, and was the daughter of the Reverend Apollos P. and Henrietta L. (Webster) Viets.

She was a descendant of the Viets' family of Granby, and through her mother, of John Webster, the fifth governor of Connecticut, who came from Warwickshire, England to Boston in the 17th century and was one of those who came with the Reverend Thomas Hooker to Hartford in 1635.

Mrs. Horton attended the Waterbury schools and was a woman of fine mental ability, widely read, and with a talent for writing, her work appearing in the local newspapers of a few years ago. She was much interested in natural history and was for some years a member of the Waterbury Naturalist Club. She was a member of the First Baptist Church and was well known to many persons. She is survived by her husband and one sister, Miss Henrietta C. Viets and a number of cousins, of whom one is Prof. William Lyon Phelps of New Haven.

323. (Albert Andrew[6], Judah D.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Albert Andrew Viets, son of Judah Dryden and Caroline (Rowley) Viets, was born in East Granby December 9, 1847. He married first, September 29, 1868 Mary C. Rowley, born in Bloomfield February 8, 1849, daughter of Hezekiah L. and Jane (Loomis) Rowley. He married second July 5, 1916 Louise Sutter, born in Kingburg, Germany. Albert A. Viets passed the greater part of his life in Bloomfield. He was active in the Congregational Church. He served as

assessor, on the Board of Relief, and as Fire Warden. He died February 5, 1927 in Bloomfield. Burial was in Mt. View Cemetery. Child, by first marriage:

553. i. May Alberta, born September 27, 1871.

324. (Hattie Phelps[6], Judah D.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Hattie Phelps Viets, daughter of Judah Dryden and Caroline (Rowley) Viets, was born April 24, 1856 in Bloomfield. She taught school for several years in the home district in Bloomfield, and was a good and successful teacher. She married December 3, 1885 James Loomis Rowley, born in Bloomfield, son of Hezekiah L. and Jane (Loomis) Rowley. Mr. Rowley died June 23, 1929; his widow died July 30, 1930 in Bloomfield. Child:

i. Herman Jay Rowley, born in Bloomfield October 31, 1886; married August 24, 1909 Elveda M. Kelly, born November 8, 1886 in Sandwich, Illinois, daughter of Albert and Carrie M. (Morse) Kelly. Three children (Rowley).

325. (Minnie Holcomb[6], Judah D.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Minnie Holcomb Viets, daughter of Judah Dryden and Caroline (Rowley) Viets, born August 7, 1858 in Bloomfield; married February 17, 1886 Dwight Chauncey Newberry, born May 31, 1853 in Bloomfield, son of Chauncey and Harriet A. (Rose) Newberry, born in Granville, Massachusetts. Dwight C. Newberry was eighth in line from Thomas Newberry, an early settler of Connecticut. He was a farmer in Bloomfield and represented the town in the legislature in 1890 and 1901. They resided in Hartford. Mr. Newberry died in Bloomfield, April 23, 1905; his widow died in Wethersfield, September 24, 1935. Children, born in Bloomfield:

i. Frederick Chauncey Newberry, born March 5, 1887; married June 25, 1921 Calla R. White, born May 31, 1895 in Westerly, Rhode Island, daughter of Clarence Allen and Mary J. (Hough) White. No children.
ii. Abbie Rose Newberry, born November 22, 1888. Unmarried.
iii. Inez Harriet Newberry, born January 4, 1890. Unmarried.
iv. Nellie Caroline Newberry, born October 17, 1893. Unmarried.
v. May Viola Newberry, born September 17, 1895; married June 25, 1921 to Walter Klaum, born December 8, 1897 in Brooklyn, New York, son of John and Bertha (Sutter) Klaum. Resided in St. Albans, Long Island, New York. Two children (Klaum).
vi. Rose Alline Newberry, born September 16, 1900; married September 4, 1926 Kenneth M. Downes, born April 25, 1900 in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, son of Frederick E. and Nellie (McIntire) Downes. They resided in Alexandria, Virginia. Two children (Downes).

326. (Walter Dwight[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Walter Dwight Viets, son of Dan Alexander and Caroline (Phelps) Viets, was born in East Granby in 1848 and died December 23, 1879. He married Adelaide Griffin, born in 1851, daughter of Milton and Adeline (Holcomb) Griffin. She died June 12, 1896. Mr. Viets kept the hotel in East Granby for some years and operated the stage route between that town and Hartford. He was afterwards a traveling salesman. Children:

554. i. Caroline Augusta, born April 25, 1869.
555. ii. Ralph Waldo, born October 20, 1878.

327. (William Burdette[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

William Burdette Viets, son of Dan Alexander and Jane (Phelon) Viets, was born in West Suffield, November 22, 1853. He lived for a time in West Suffield and Thompsonville, and later for some years in Worthington, Massachusetts. He later ran a dairy farm in West Springfield. He married Louise M. Wright of Worthington who was born May 6, 1858, daughter of John and Phoebe (Soper) Wright. She died May 19, 1921 and Mr. Viets died April 6, 1925 both in Springfield. Children, born in Worthington, Massachusetts:

556. i. Burdette William, born January 21, 1875.
557. ii. Nettie Louise, born May 4, 1876.
558. iii. Robert John, born December 26, 1880.
559. iv. Clifton Marsh, born April 18, 1884.

328. (Emma L.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Emma L. Viets, daughter of Dan Alexander and Mary Jane (Getman) Viets, was born November 20, 1860 in East Granby. She married in Westfield, Massachusetts, September 29, 1898 William Tifft, who was born November 1, 1861 in Hartford, son of David and Harriet (Buckingham) Tifft. Mr. Tifft died September 13, 1937. Mrs. Tifft died in Westfield, November 20, 1946. She is buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. Child:

i. Frances Louise Tifft, born February 19, 1900 in Westfield, Massachusetts; married May 4, 1926 Alexander Nahlovsky who was born in Westfield. Resided in Westfield, Massachusetts. No children.

329. (Hartley Alexander[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Hartley Alexander Viets, son of Dan Alexander and Mary Jane (Getman) Viets, was born March 28, 1863 in East Granby. He married November 28, 1889 Anna E. McNamara, born in East Granby August 6, 1863, daughter of Denis and Mary McNamara. Mr. Viets was a farmer in East Granby. Mrs. Viets died July 21, 1930; Mr. Viets died June 7, 1930. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. Children, born in East Granby:

560. i. John Hartley, born August 21, 1891.
561. ii. Fred Whitney, born February 25, 1893.

330. (Annis S.$^{6}$, Dan A.$^{5}$, Dan$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Annis S. Viets, daughter of Dan Alexander and Mary Jane (Getman) Viets, was born, according to the Viets Genealogy in East Granby January 9, 1866. However, her tombstone inscription in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby, gives January 11, 1869 as her birth date. She married September 19, 1888 Warren Parker. They resided in Westfield, Massachusetts, where she died December 16, 1942. Mr. Parker was born August 29, 1861 and died in Westfield, February 23, 1948. No children.

331. (Willard Wesley$^{6}$, Dan A.$^{5}$, Dan$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Willard Wesley Viets, son of Dan Alexander and Mary Jane (Getman) Viets, was born July 7, 1870 in East Granby. He married October 21, 1888 Mary Alice Wilson who was born in Simsbury June 17, 1869, daughter of David and Mary Lee (Potts) Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. Viets lived in East Granby. Mr. Viets supervised the paving of the first roads in East Granby while first selectman from 1898 to 1922. They celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary October 21, 1948. Mrs. Viets died in her home in East Granby, February 21, 1949. Mr. Viets died December 24, 1954. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby.

From Encyclopedia of Connecticut Biography, 1919-23

> . . . His [Willard Wesley Viets'] farm has an acreage of one hundred and sixty-five acres, and sixteen acres are entirely devoted to tobacco growing. General crops are grown in abundance also. Despite the demands upon his time by his business and farming interests, Mr. Viets has found an opportunity to lend his services to the interests of his town and state. He is a Republican in politics and for twenty years served as chairman of the Republican town committee. Since 1894 he has been a member of the Board of Selectmen and for twenty-one years served as first Selectman. In 1909 Mr. Viets represented the town in the Legislature, and was a member of the railroad committee. For fifteen years he has been a member of the East Granby School Board at various times, and is now serving his ninth consecutive year, and in 1918 was elected for a term of three years. Fraternally he is affiliated with Old Newgate Lodge.

Children, born in East Granby:

562. i. David Alexander, born May 20, 1889.
563. ii. Dan Willard, born March 20, 1895.
564. iii. Adolph Westley, born August 10, 1901.

332. (Jessie Beulah[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Jessie Beulah Viets, daughter of Dan Alexander and Mary Jane (Getman) Viets, was born in East Granby April 5, 1872. She married John LaFleur. They resided in Stoughton, Wisconsin [?].

333. (Dan Grove[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Dan Grove Viets (who was called Harry Linwood, but the name was never changed legally), son of Dan Alexander and Alice Atwood (Grant) Viets, was born March 1885 in East Granby. He married in November 1905 Carrie M. Harris, born August 19, 1887 in Nuremberg, Pennsylvania, daughter of John B. and Annie A. (Kishbauch) Harris. They resided in East Granby. Mrs. Viets died in 1959 and her husband in 1967. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. Children:

565. i. John Harries, born December 28, 1906.
ii. Helen Alice, born May 9, 1908 in East Hartford; died March 15, 1912.
566. iii. Beatrice Lois, born September 11, 1913.

334. (Pearl Frederick[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Pearl Frederick Viets, son of Dan Alexander and Alice Atwood (Grant) Viets, was born December 8, 1887 in East Granby. He married on April 15, 1913 Emira Edna Mahl, born in Hartford, December 5, 1890, daughter of Herman and Louisa K. (Menze) Mahl. Resided in West Hartford.

From the Hartford Courant, February 1940

> P. Frederick Viets began working for the Courant in February 1910. At that time the paper had no Sunday edition, its daily circulation was not far above 12,000, it had only sixteen carriers, and its circulation department, of which he was the newest member, had a personnel of three.
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> He was put to work "ringing doorbells" in the hunt for additional subscribers. In the 30 years of his able and devoted service to the paper, Mr. Viets has seen its daily circulation increase nearly fourfold, and has watched with pride the sturdy growth of its Sunday edition. . . . In 1910 there was but one edition of the Courant printed; now there are four. . . .
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> Today the circulation department, of which Mr. Viets has been manager since 1921, controls 500 carriers who deliver the Courant daily, and approximately 600 who deliver the Sunday issue. Its salaried office personnel has, in the 30 years of Mr. Viets' experience, grown from three to forty-four. . . .
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> His 30th anniversary was fittingly celebrated in the lofty and spacious

office which he occupies in the Courant's new enlarged and efficiently centralized circulation department.

The early death of Mr. Viets' father made it necessary for him to go to work at the age of 14 years. He was in his early twenties when he obtained his first job with the Courant and that job required him for the five years following to solicit subscriptions throughout the territory of Greater Hartford and as far away as Winsted and Willimantic. At first, as he expressed it, "My own shoe leather carried me around most of the time. Finally, however, the paper bought me a bicycle with which to cover city dealers and check on carrier deliveries. . . . "

Mr. Viets, whose first important job in the department was that of supervising city carriers, who moved up from that position to the city circulation managership, and finally to being manager of the entire circulation department in 1921, effectively sums up the efficiency of his staff by saying "Thirty years ago the Courant was the best distributed paper in Connecticut, and it still is!"

Mr. Viets retired on April 1, 1947. Child:

567. i. Russell Mahl, born August 29, 1914.

335. **(Lydia Estella$^{6}$, Joseph F.$^{5}$, Dan$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Lydia Estella Viets, daughter of Joseph Franklin and Elizabeth (Spencer) Viets, was born December 8, 1857 in East Granby. She married in 1878 John B. Parker, born February 14, 1852 in East Windsor. Mr. Parker was a farmer in Poquonock, Windsor. He was elected to many local offices and to the Connecticut general assembly. He served thirty years as deacon in the Congregational church. Mr. Parker died April 14, 1930. Mrs. Parker died in Bozeman, Montana, on February 5, 1945. Children, born in Windsor:

i. Mary Estella Parker, born August 7, 1880; died April 14, 1897.
ii. John Robert Parker, born June 28, 1884. Mr. Parker married on September 23, 1911 Maria Elizabeth Phillips, born November 15, 1886 in Amherst, Massachusetts, daughter of Stanley A. and Martha E. (Lamson) Phillips. She died in 1925. Mr. Parker married second on May 27, 1927 Sara Marie Couter, who was born September 5, 1886 in Mount Vernon, Ohio, daughter of William F. and Florence I. (Griffith) Couter. Two children (Parker).

From Who's Who in America and American Men of Science

John Robert Parker, Entomologist. Born in Windsor, Conn. June 28, 1884. Parents John B. and Lydia Estella (Viets) Parker. B.S. Mass. State College 1908, M.S. 1910. Ph.D. University of Minnesota 1929. Graduate assistant in Entomology, Mass. State College 1909-1910; Assistant Entomologist Montana Experiment Station 1910-1922; Entomologist 1922-1928; Acting head department Entomology Montana

State College 1928-1929; Senior Entomologist, Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Bozeman, Montana (Charge grasshopper research and control) since 1930.

Member of A.A.A.S., American Association Economic Entomologists (executive com. 1935-1938), Ecological Society of America, Sigma Xi; Phi Kappa Phi, Gamma Alpha, Kappa Sigma, Presbyterian, Elk, contributor to scientific journals. Resident Bozeman, Montana.

iii. Ervine Franklin Parker, born June 9, 1889; died January 1924. Unmarried.

336. (Clarence Austin$^6$, Joseph F.$^5$, Dan$^4$, Abner$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Clarence Austin Viets, son of Joseph Franklin and Elizabeth (Spencer) Viets, was born in East Granby December 12, 1859. He married in Simsbury December 8, 1888 Mrs. Nellie Corey Hayes who was born March 26, 1866. They resided in Hartford. Mr. Viets died May 11, 1931 in Hartford; Mrs. Viets died there December 26, 1933. [Obituary.] Both are buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. Children, born in Suffield:

568. i. Clara Elizabeth, born September 6, 1889.
569. ii. Bertha Louisa, born September 18, 1890.

337. (Anna Mary$^6$, Joseph F.$^5$, Dan$^4$, Abner$^3$, John$^2$, John$^1$)

Anna Mary Viets, daughter of Joseph Franklin and Elisabeth (Spencer) Viets, was born July 6, 1863 in East Granby. From having passed the early portion of her life with her aunt, Mrs. Annis Griffin, she was known by the name Anna Griffin. She married first, Fred Bradley of New Haven, second Frank H. Dibble of East Granby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dibble. She married for her third husband, Dr. George H. Leland of Hartford. Mrs. Leland died July 20, 1932 in Hartford. Children, by first marriage:

i. Annis Bradley, born September 13, 1880 in West Suffield. She married March 31, 1897 John Corey, who was born May 24, 1871, son of William and Cordelia A. (Spellman) Corey. Mrs. Corey died in East Granby June 9, 1914. Three children (Corey).

By second marriage:

ii. Susan Louise Dibble, born July 24, 1884 in East Granby; married Allen V. Woodworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Woodworth of Suffield. She died February 4, 1920. Three children (Woodworth).
iii. Charlotte "Lottie" Viola Dibble, born December 23, 1885 in East Granby; married December 1, 1917 William A. Hollister, born July 13, 1885 in Glastonbury, son of Norman and Charlotte (Talcott) Hollister. Mrs. Hollister died in 1960. One son (Hollister).

338. (Francis Hubbard[6], Benjamin E.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Francis Hubbard Viets, son of Benjamin Erskine and Anna (Hubbard) Viets, was born in Granby September 16, 1854. When he was fourteen years of age his family moved to the eastern part of the town. He attended with the family, during his early years, the Baptist Church in Tariffville, three miles distant, occasionally going to the Episcopal Church of his Grandfather Viets. He taught at his old home school in East Granby during the winter of 1872-3 taking great delight in his work and in the progress of his pupils.

Entering the Connecticut Literary Institution in Suffield he took the first prize for excellence in declamation in 1874 and the first prize for excellence in debate in 1875. He was graduated in June 1875 at the head of a class of eleven and delivered the valedictory address. He entered Brown University the following September and was graduated in 1879 with the degree of A.B. He then pursed the theological course at Yale University and was graduated in 1882 with the degree of B.D. Upon his graduation he accepted a call to the Congregational Church in Riverton and was ordained there the following October. At the anniversary of the Connecticut Literary Institution in 1883 he delivered the alumni poem.

After a ministry of five years in Riverton he accepted a call in May 1887 to the two Congregational churches of East and North Woodstock where he remained in charge of the two parishes for nearly twelve years, receiving into the churches during this period one hundred new members. During his last seven years there he was an active member of the school board of Woodstock. Concluding his services for the Woodstock churches March 1, 1899 he accepted a cordial invitation the following September to minister to the Congregational Church of Buckingham and while there began the work of preparing a genealogy of the Viets' family. He later resided in Waltham, Massachusetts, where he and his family made their home. He died there June 8, 1934.

Francis H. Viets married on May 23, 1883 Mary Elizabeth Smith who was born in Providence, Rhode Island, December 12, 1857, daughter of Amos D. and Maria (Waterman) Smith. Mary Elizabeth Smith was graduated from the Providence High School in 1876 and from the Rhode Island State Normal School in 1879 after which she taught four years in one of the grammar schools of Providence with gratifying success. Mrs. Viets died May 24, 1938 in Waltham. Children, born in East Woodstock:

i. Marion Amelia, born November 21, 1887. Taught in the Waltham school. Unmarried.

570. ii. Ruby Elizabeth, born March 5, 1889.

571. iii. Paul Winthrop, born April 18, 1894.

Note: Francis Hubbard Viets was the compiler of the 1902 Viets Genealogy and much of the material in this book up to 1902 comes from that earlier Viets

family history. Additions to it were made both by H. Isabel Viets and Dorothy Viets Schell. Some data came from his records in the Springfield, Massachusetts, library.

339. (Edward Bradford[6], Benjamin E.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Edward Bradford Viets, son of Benjamin Erskine and Anna (Hubbard) Viets, was born in Granby January 27, 1857. He was educated in the public schools and at the Connecticut Literary Institution in Suffield, but more completely in business and in the school of life where he was an apt learner. He went, at the age of twenty-one, to Hartford where he was in business for several years. After 1889 he was a conductor on the street cars in Chicago, and later was in business in the same city.

He married in Joliet, Illinois, August 17, 1886 Lillie Melissa Boardman Maxwell, daughter of George H. and Melissa (Matteson) Maxwell. Mr. Viets died in Chicago January 25, 1912. Mrs. Viets died in Wheaton, Illinois, June 10, 1932. No children.

340. (Scott Benjamin[6], Benjamin E.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Scott Benjamin Viets, son of Benjamin Erskine and Anna (Hubbard) Viets, was born in East Granby May 4, 1859. He attended a few terms at the Connecticut Literary Institution, was in the employ of a manufacturing firm in Waterbury for a time, and afterwards resided at the old homestead in East Granby where he conducted the farm. He and his family later resided in West Hartford for a number of years. He married in 1882 Chloe Marietta Viets [see No. 579], daughter of William Ansel and Sarah F. (Alderman) Viets, born in 1860. She died in July 1936 in West Hartford; Mr. Viets died in October 1943. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby.

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> The Viets farm lies on either side of East Granby street, and is crossed by the tracks of the Central New England Railroad. It extends to the top of the hill, but has fully twenty-five acres of good tobacco land. In the twenty-five acres on the ridge there is one of the best trap rock quarries in the State. It is one of the most picturesque locations in the State and from the ridge can be seen the spires of Hartford, the city of Rockville, and the Heublein Tower on Talcott mountain.
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> This is the farm to which Benjamin E. Viets came in 1869 and which then comprised one hundred acres. He repaired and remodeled the buildings which are now among the best in town. Scott Benjamin Viets has since added considerable acreage to the farm, including the Richard Phelps farm, which adjoined it on the south. The buildings include two houses and a tobacco shed 125 feet long, besides the usual farm outbuildings. This is the farm which the State of Connecticut bought in January, 1918 for the site of the proposed State prison. It is generally conceded to be a wise acquisition, as it is a most desirable piece of property and

well suited to the purpose. Mr. Viets has grown five or six acres of tobacco annually, and until two year ago ran quite a large dairy. He has always kept several acres in corn. He is a Republican and served for four years as town treasurer, although he never aspired to political honors.

Children, born in East Granby:

i. Ethel May, born June 26, 1883. Unmarried. Died 1968. Buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby.
ii. Bernice Lucia, born December 14, 1885. Unmarried. Died August 5, 1967. Buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. She was a stenographer at the Phoenix Insurance Company. [Obituary.]
572. iii. Dorothy Phelps, born February 4, 1892.

### 341. (Martha Ann[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Martha Ann Viets, daughter of Gervase and Esther (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby September 17, 1824. She married May 6, 1846 Apollos P. Griffin, son of Zopher and Margery (Trumbull) Griffin, born June 28, 1821 and died May 23, 1878. They resided in Hungary, Granby. Mrs. Griffin died September 12, 1889. Children:

i. Marcus Allen Griffin, born in Granby April 26, 1847; married November 7, 1871 Evelina Amelia Cushman, born in North Granby, August 13, 1842, daughter of Milton and Clarissa Cushman. Mr. Griffin died November 21, 1925. Mrs. Griffin died November 13, 1906. Four children (Griffin).
ii. Milo J. Griffin, born June 28, 1849; drowned at Copper Hill, July 15, 1857.
iii. Ida Ester Griffin, born March 28, 1855 in Granby; married March, 1873 Wilbur Sylvester Holcomb, born in Granby April 24, 1848, son of Sylvester and Sarah L. (Hoskins) Holcomb. Mrs. Holcomb died April 12, 1879; Mr. Holcomb died in 1921 or 1922. One daughter (Holcomb).
iv. Gertrude L. Griffin, born December 25, 1856; died April 13, 1878. Unmarried.

### 342. (Julius G.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Julius G. Viets, son of Gervase and Esther (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby April 29, 1828. He married January 1, 1852 Mary P. Gillett [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314], born in Southwick, Massachusetts, October 27, 1834, daughter of Horace and Agnes (Whitney) Gillett. Mr. Viets was a farmer and resided in Hungary, Granby. He died November 12, 1916. Mrs. Viets died February 6, 1899. Both are buried in the Copper Hill Cemetery. Mr. Viets was a member of the Copper Hill Methodist Church for fifty-four years. Children:

573. i. Henry Gervase, born July 3, 1855.
ii. Nellie Agnes, born September 30, 1858; died November 2, 1860.
574. iii. Mary Florence, born February 18, 1866.

343. (Charles Ransom[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Ransom Viets, son of Gervase and Esther (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby July 15, 1830. He married November 10, 1853 Harriet Griffin, born about 1829, daughter of Aristarchus Griffin. He died October 29, 1874 and his widow on July 15, 1907. Both are buried in Copper Hill Cemetery. Children, born in Granby:

575. i. Gervase Aristarchus, born July 6, 1856.
576. ii. George Charles, born May 13, 1864.
iii. Esther Jael, born August 9, 1868; died February 9, 1869.

344. (Abigail Emeline[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Abigail Emeline Viets, daughter of Gervase and Esther (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby October 13, 1832. She married January 1, 1852 William H. Jenkins, born October 11, 1826. Mrs. Jenkins died May 19, 1873. Children:

i. Emma J. Jenkins, born April 16, 1853 in Avon; married June 3, 1874 Edwin Noah Whitney, born in New Britain February 8, 1853, son of John Gates and Eliza (Woodruff) Whitney. Mrs. Whitney died September 28, 1936; Mr. Whitney died in Bristol July 2, 1918. Three children (Whitney).
ii. Mary Chidsey Jenkins, born July 18, 1860 in Avon; married June 4, 1884 Anson Quincy Perkins, born in Litchfield October 27, 1851, son of Charles Lewis and Lucy Ann (Merriman) Perkins. Mr. Perkins died February 18, 1928. Two children (Perkins).

345. (Virgil Eaton[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Virgil Eaton Viets, son of Gervase and Esther (Phelps) Viets, was born in Granby March 17, 1835. He married January 1, 1861 Mary L. Wilcox [Connecticut Marriage Index, FHF#0003314], born August 17, 1835 in North Granby, daughter of Hiram Wilcox of Granby and his wife, Mary Gillett, of Southwick. Mr. Viets and his family resided in the Captain John Viets' house opposite Newgate Prison until after 1902. He served the state in the general assembly in 1876. He died April 23, 1910; Mrs. Viets died August 16, 1914. Children, born in East Granby:

i. Everett, born July 17, 1863; died August 24, 1870.
577. ii. Hiram Wilcox, born May 23, 1866.
578. iii. Clarabelle T., born March 17, 1871.

346. (Emily V.$^{6}$, Gervase$^{5}$, Luke$^{4}$, Luke$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Emily V. Viets, daughter of Gervase and Esther (Phelps) Viets, was born in East Granby, Copper Hill, December 9, 1837. She married March 16, 1863 Oliver Gabriel, born April 10, 1832 in Avon, son of Phineas and Fannie (Wilcox) Gabriel of Suffield. They resided in Avon and later in Hartford. Mrs. Gabriel died December 9, 1917 and was buried in Avon; Mr. Gabriel died July 11, 1919. Children, born in Avon:

i. George H. Gabriel, born November 2, 1864. Resided in Hartford. Unmarried.
ii. Fannie E. Gabriel, born July 22, 1866; married April 29, 1920 Dwight Hewes, born in Suffield. He died November 14, 1926. Mrs. Hewes was a teacher of mathematics for six years in McLean Seminary in Simsbury. She later resided in Hartford.

347. (William Ansel$^{6}$, Henry W.$^{5}$, Luke$^{4}$, Luke$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

William Ansel Viets, son of Henry W. and Lucia L. (King) Viets, was born in Granby July 29, 1833. He resided in East Granby where he was a farmer. He was first selectman of the town for twelve consecutive years. He married April 24, 1859 Sarah F. Alderman, born in East Granby November 24, 1839, daughter of Solomon F. and Elizabeth F. (Hastings) Alderman. Mr. Viets died August 22, 1902. Mrs. Viets died January 11, 1936 at the age of 96. She was a graduate of New Britain Normal School and had taught school for some time previous to her marriage. She was the oldest member of East Granby Congregational Church. [Obituary, Windsor Locks Journal.] Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. Children, born in East Granby:

579. i. Chloe Marietta, born June 21, 1860. Married Scott B. Viets. [See No. 340.]
580. ii. Charles Palmer, born June 2, 1863.
581. iii. Alice Elizabeth, born June 28, 1874.

348. (George Luke$^{6}$, Henry W.$^{5}$, Luke$^{4}$, Luke$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

George Luke Viets, son of Henry W. and Lucia (King) Viets, was born in Granby September 6, 1835; married April 11, 1865 Virginia G. Bates, born in East Granby February 8, 1845, daughter of Anson and Louisa (Garnett) Bates. Mr. Viets practiced law about thirty years before retiring to his farm in East Granby. There he farmed until his death January 10, 1909. He represented his town in the legislature in 1897 and held several town offices. Mrs. Viets died in East Granby July 6, 1889. Both are buried in East Granby. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children, born in East Granby:

i. Ella Louisa, born December 28, 1867; died September 24, 1886.
582. ii. Georgie Bates, born November 21, 1870.
583. iii. Clara Marietta, born January 7, 1878.
584. iv. Bertha May, born July 15, 1881.

349. (Marietta Louisa[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Marietta Louisa Viets, daughter of Henry W. and Lucia (King) Viets, was born in East Granby September 11, 1837. She married May 2, 1860 George Hiram Griswold, born in Windsor November 19, 1835, son of Hiram and Hannah (Stanley) Griswold. George H. Griswold was a direct descendant in the eighth generation from Edward Griswold who came from Kenilworth, England, to Windsor in 1639. Mr. Griswold died June 9, 1910; Mrs. Griswold died July 31, 1915. Children:

i. Dexter Hudson Griswold, born June 4, 1861 in Windsor; married December 23, 1885 in Jersey City, New Jersey, Mrs. Mary (McCullough) Gurnsey, born in Corning, New York, May 13, 1856, daughter of P. and Emma (Titus) McCullough. She died July 22, 1900. Mr. Griswold married December 1, 1902 for his second wife, Gertrude Irons, born in Smithport, Pennsylvania, February 27, 1884, daughter of George and Margaret (Flinchbaugh) Irons. The family resided in Susquehanna, Pennsylvania. Mr. Griswold died December 24, 1948 in Johnson City, New York. Seven children (Griswold).

ii. Duane William Griswold, born June 13, 1863 in Windsor; married May 2, 1887 in Vermilion, South Dakota, Louisa Maria Miller, born in Marietta, Ohio, August 20, 1867, daughter of Frank and Maria (Caty) Miller. Mr. Griswold died July 20, 1911; Mrs. Griswold died in Norwich April 14, 1945 and was buried in Poquonock, Windsor. Five children (Griswold).

iii. Darwin Gillett Griswold, born November 27, 1869 in West Springfield, Massachusetts; married April 20, 1892 Anna Dickinson Clapp, born in South Windsor March 31, 1863, daughter of Julius Spencer and Adelaide Caroline (Gleason) Clapp. He served in World War II. They resided in Cheshire. Mrs. Griswold died in New Haven, June 27, 1947. Two children (Griswold).

350. (Henrietta Elizabeth[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Henrietta Elizabeth Viets, daughter of Henry W. and Lucia (King) Viets, was born in East Granby September 6, 1839. She married November 24, 1859 George Owen, born in Hungary, Granby, June 8, 1837, son of Almon and Mary (Griffin) Owen. Mrs. Owen died July 10, 1867; Mr. Owen died May 28, 1917. Children:

i. Henry Almon Owen, born June 23, 1863 in Granby; died February 21, 1930 unmarried.

ii. Alfred George Owen, born October 5, 1866 in Granby; married in 1891 to Mrs. Jennie Ruick, born in North Granby June 14, 1863, daughter of M. J. and Mary (Bohanna) Kelley. She died April 10, 1919. Mr. Owen married for his second wife, Elizabeth L. North, born in London, England, June 14, 1871. They resided in Wallingford. Mr. Owen died February 19, 1948. No children.

351. (Henry Jarvis[6], Ansel[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Henry Jarvis Viets, son of Ansel and Sarah Minerva (Root) Viets, was born in Tolland, Massachusetts, February 12, 1844. He married in 1882 in Tolland, Massachusetts [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0955573], Anna Hull, a teacher, born February 1846 in Tolland. Mr. Viets was a farmer and a teacher. He resided in Sandisfield, Massachusetts, and died in Winsted July 22, 1913. In his will he left the following public bequests: To the New Boston (Sandisfield) Congregational Church of which he was a deacon, the sum of $500; to the Sandisfield library, $500; and to the cemetery, $300. Mrs. Viets died March 15, 1906 in Sandisfield.

From a copy of the Viets Genealogy, annotated [by H. Isabel Viets?] in Connecticut State Library:

> Henry Jarvis Viets, though living in a remote place and unknown was in some respects a man of remarkable parts. He was not only a farmer and very able teacher but a student of several languages. The head of a large library in Boston says that he owes more to him than to any other man.

352. (Jennie Abigail[6], John J.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Jennie Abigail Viets, daughter of John Jay and Jane (Wadsworth) Viets, was born in East Granby March 31, 1855. She attended the schools of East Granby and Maplewood Seminary, East Hampton. She married October 14, 1878 Olin L. Livesey, born October 14, 1849, son of the Reverend William and Anna Eliza (Adams) Livesey. Anna Eliza Adams was a direct descendant of John Adams who landed in Plymouth, Massachusetts, in November 1621. Mr. Livesey was a graduate of Wesleyan University. He and his family resided in New London for some years where he was proprietor of a manufacturing business. They later resided in California. Mrs. Livesey died March 2, 1902 in Pasadena; Mr. Livesey died February 2, 1932 in California. Children:

i. Olin William Livesey, born July 18, 1879 in New London; married for his first wife, Iva Lee Rice who died January 7, 1903. He then married on January 4, 1911 Pauline G. Meadows, born in Monterey, California, daughter of Frank and Pauline (Hazard) Meadows. Mr. Livesey died in San Francisco, California, August 10, 1917. Two children (Livesey).

ii. John Jay Viets Livesey, born April 17, 1881 in New London; died February 2, 1912.

Obituary, John Jay Viets Livesey, newspaper unknown

> Born in New London, Conn. April 17, 1881 he came to California with his parents in 1888. He was graduated from the Pasadena high school in the class of 1901. In due time he was graduated from the University of California, devoting special attention to chemistry.

He became an expert chemist and followed that profession up to within a week of the end. Mr. Livesey had high ideals and sought to attain them. Clean, sweet and thoughtful of others, he was an ideal son. Studious, respectful, and showing that he came to learn, he was beloved by all his teachers. To those of his associates who gained his respect, he gave a sweet faithful friendship.

He was a member of the glee club of the high school when he attended. Burial was in the family lot at Mountain View Cemetery in Pasadena.

iii. Carl Hubert Livesey, born October 24, 1890 in California. After the death of his mother he was adopted in 1903 by his uncle, Carl J. Viets. [See No. 353.].

iv. Ruth Wadsworth Livesey, born April 6, 1895 in Fairmount, California; married December 1, 1917 Charles Keith Green, born March 20, 1892 in Los Angeles, California, son of Henry Howard and Mary (Keith) Green. Lieutenant Green was an officer in the Coast and Geodetic Survey in the Washington office. Two children (Green).

353. (Carl Jay$^{6}$, John J.$^{5}$, John$^{4}$, Luke$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Carl Jay Viets, son of John Jay and Jane (Wadsworth) Viets, was born June 14, 1857 in East Granby. He was educated in the schools of his native town and at Claverack on the Hudson. When about sixteen he entered the post office in Windsor and was assistant postmaster for about five years. In 1881 he was engaged as bookkeeper for the Livesey Manufacturing Company of New London. In 1888 he bought out the book business of Charles Allyn in that city, but was obliged to retire in 1903 because of illness.

He served on the New London city council, was police commissioner, fire commissioner and served on the board of health. He was also a director of the National Whaling Bank of New London for a number of years and was a prominent member of the Veteran Firemen's Association. He was a Master Mason, belonged to the Sons of the American Revolution by right of two lines of descent, to the Odd Fellows, and to the Ancient Order of United Workmen. He was a member of the General Assembly in 1907.

Mr. Viets married May 23, 1883 Mary Ella Comstock, born May 24, 1849, daughter of Major William H. and Eliza Ann (Smith) Comstock of New London. He died in New London, October 13, 1913. Mrs. Viets was a member of the Mayflower Society by right of seven ancestors. After the death of her husband she married John F. Waite April 17, 1915. She died in New London May 3, 1927. [Bible and Family Records, FHF#0002881.] Children:

i. Fanny, born January 22, 1888; died the same day.

585. ii. Carl Hubert (Livesey) (adopted), born October 24, 1890. [See No. 352.]

354. (Hubert Wadsworth[6], John J.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Hubert Wadsworth Viets, son of John Jay and Jane (Wadsworth) Viets, was born in East Granby March 8, 1859. He was for some years a locomotive engineer and freight passenger agent. Later he owned and operated a large laundry business in LaCrosse, Wisconsin, where he resided for fifteen years. Selling out his business in that city he removed to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he accepted a position as agent for the Minneapolis Tribune and later a better position with the Journal of that city.

Mr. Viets married in LaCrosse July 7, 1879 Carrie F. Crane, born in that city on August 16, 1858, daughter of Asa and Charlotte (Snow) Crane. Charlotte Snow was a daughter of Charles Snow, originally from Plymouth, New Hampshire, and Rhoda Sargent from Amesbury, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Viets were members of the First Congregational Church of LaCrosse, of which the grandmother of Mrs. Viets was a charter member when the church was organized in 1852. Mr. and Mrs. Viets later moved to Excelsior, Minnesota. Mr. Viets was crippled for life in a railway accident. He died in Excelsior October 4, 1928. His widow died there June 24, 1941. Children:

586. i. Mary Crane, born December 8, 1880.
587. ii. Emadel, born April 16, 1883.
iii. Chauncey Eno, born May 18, 1885; died August 30, 1885.
iv. John Jay, born April 14, 1890 in LaCrosse; he died October 20, 1918 in officer's training at Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Kentucky, two weeks before he was to receive his commission. He was a graduate of the Agricultural College of the University of Minnesota and had held a position at that institution. He was unmarried.

355. (Mary Adelia[6], Imlay B.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Adelia Viets, daughter of Imlay Bird and Angeline (Hart) Viets, was born in New Britain March 10, 1847. She married in the Center Church, New Britain, on March 10, 1875 Charles Albert Blair, born October 5, 1844 in Lebanon, New York, son of Augustus and Olive (Hitchcock) Blair. He was educated at Genesee College (New York) and was in business in New Britain, Connecticut. The family resided in Newington where Mr. Blair died February 10, 1922 and Mrs. Blair died June 17, 1928. Children:

i. Cyrus Hart Blair, born January 20, 1876 in Milford, Delaware; died January 30, 1907.
ii. Nina Louise Blair, born July 4, 1877 in Milford. Resided in Newington. Unmarried.
iii. Nellie Adelia Blair, born March 22, 1879 in Milford; died December 21, 1883.
iv. John Dick Blair, born October 12, 1880 in Milford; married September 21, 1908 Priscilla Buckley Clark, who was born July 19, 1885 in Meriden, daughter of Benjamin B. and Lizzie (Ludington)

Clark. Resided in Elizabeth, New Jersey. No children.

v. Charles Pierce Blair, born October 16, 1882 in Milford; married June 29, 1911 Katharine Williams, born October 4, 1880 in Augusta, Georgia, daughter of Oswald Alonzo and Katharine Semmes (Fitzpatrick) Williams. Resided in Flushing, Long Island, New York.

vi. Harry Viets Blair, born February 5, 1885 in Milford; died November 12, 1889.

vii. Angelene Cornelia Blair, born February 28, 1890 in New Britain; married T. Henry Kellogg, September 6, 1913. One daughter, Dorothy, born November 23, 1914. Both mother and daughter died on that day.

356. (Elnora Julietta$^{6}$, Imlay B.$^{5}$, John$^{4}$, Luke$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Elnora Julietta Viets, daughter of Imlay Bird and Angeline (Hart) Viets, was born July 22, 1849 in New Britain. She married December 1, 1870 Theron Hart Camp, born March 1, 1845 in Durham, son of Curtis Coe and Sabrina Abia (Hart) Camp. The family resided in New Britain. Mrs. Camp died there in October 1927. Mr. Camp died in August 1932. Children, born in New Britain:

i. Florence Angeline Camp, born March 6, 1872. She was educated at Wellesley College. Resided in New Britain. She died August 16, 1963 age ninety-one. Unmarried.

ii. Mortimer Hart Camp, born August 21, 1875; educated at Wesleyan University. He married June 2, 1928 Margaret Whittlesey Perkins, daughter of John Russell and Mary Whittlesey (Brown) Perkins. They resided at New Britain. No children.

iii. Herbert Viets Camp, born January 19, 1878; educated at Wesleyan University. He married May 25, 1929 Blanche Morse Lawton, born May 19, 1897 in Hartford, daughter of Franklin Lyman and Lucy Ann (Morse) Lawton. Mr. Camp died January 16, 1935. One son (Camp).

357. (Ida Eugenie$^{6}$, Imlay B.$^{5}$, John$^{4}$, Luke$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Ida Eugenie Viets, daughter of Imlay Bird and Angeline (Hart) Viets, was born October 29, 1856 in New Britain. She married December 27, 1893 Harris Lee Paige, M.D., who was born March 10, 1858 in Bakersfield, Vermont. He was a graduate of Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia. Mrs. Paige attended the New Britain Normal School and was a successful teacher in her home city. She died December 30, 1900. Dr. Paige died in Dover, Delaware, April 30, 1903. Child:

i. Dorothy Viets Paige, born September 8, 1894 in New Britain; married October 1, 1932 John Gordon Kellogg, born March 22, 1890 in Sunbury, North Carolina, son of Martin Kellogg IX (descendant of the famous Martin Kellogg of Deerfield, Massachusetts), and Bessie (Lassiter) Kellogg. Mrs. Kellogg is a graduate of Beechwood School and of Beaver College. One son (Kellogg).

358. (John Berthrong[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

John Berthrong Viets, son of James Rollin and Cordelia (Rouse) Viets, was born in East Granby June 27, 1853. He received a good business training under his father and at Hartford Business College, spent several years in Boston, and was afterward connected with a large importing house in New York City. He married in Chicago August 1, 1893 Mrs. Katharine Burton (Pease) Tourtellote, born in Norwalk, Ohio, October 24, 1859, daughter of David Harlow and Sarah (Burton) Pease. David Pease was a son of Erastus (of Somers) and Clarissa (Hume) (of Windsor) Pease, and a grandson of Stephen Pease of Somers, who was engaged in the Battle of Stillwater at the taking of Burgoyne. Mr. Viets died June 19, 1908; his wife died March 27, 1928 and both are buried in the Pease family lot in Norwalk, Ohio. No children.

359. (Helen Mary[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Helen Mary Viets, daughter of James Rollin and Cordelia T. (Rouse) Viets, was born in East Granby August 17, 1854. She was educated in the local schools and in Miss Catharine Beecher's Seminary in Hartford, from which she was graduated in 1873. On December 17 of that year she was married to the Reverend Frank Barrows Makepeace, son of Lysander O. and Esther (Dunham) Makepeace of Attleboro, Massachusetts. He is descended from the earliest English settlers in New England, at least three of his grandparents having had ancestors who had settled in Massachusetts before 1640.

The Reverend Makepeace held pastorates in Gloucester, Andover, and Springfield in Massachusetts, and at Champlain, New York, and Trinity Congregational Church in New York City. During his ten-year pastorate for the North Church, Springfield, nearly three hundred members were added to the congregation. He was a corporate member of the American Board, and was entrusted with many important offices. The Reverend Makepeace spent his later years in Granby. Mrs. Makepeace died in Waterbury. Children:

i. Walter Dunham Makepeace, born April 27, 1875 in Gloucester, Massachusetts. He married on June 19, 1906 Ethel M. Sperry, born in Waterbury December 25, 1878, daughter of Mark L. and Julia (Porter) Sperry. Mr. Makepeace died in Waterbury, August 27, 1942. His widow died there on July 16, 1945. Five children (Makepeace).

   Walter Makepeace attended the Springfield, Massachusetts, High School, was graduated from Williston Academy in 1892; he attended Phillips Andover; B.A. Yale University in 1897 and a Master of Philosophy at Yale in 1898. In 1900 he was graduated from the Yale School of Law. That year he was admitted to the New York Bar and practice law with his brother Frank in New York City until 1907 when he settled in Waterbury.

   While at Yale Mr. Makepeace took several prizes, received the

Foote Fellowship for post graduate work, and spent a year in the study of psychology and philosophy. During his student law career he was editor of the Yale Law Journal. At graduation he won the Townsend Prize for excellence in composition and delivery. He served in the U.S. Navy in the war against Spain. He served as Waterbury's coroner, chairman of the G.O.P. town committee in 1916, Liberty loan campaign manager, chairman of the Waterbury War Bureau, and was in the Ordnance Department in Washington, D.C., holding rank as captain.

In 1918 he was promoted to Major Judge Advocate in the army and after the war became judge of the district court of Waterbury until 1926. He was for many years Lieutenant Colonel Judge Advocate in the U.S. Army Reserve Corps and was the fuel administrator for Waterbury in the great coal strike. He served as president of the Naugatuck Valley Yale Alumni Association, and of the Associated Yale Clubs of New England, member of the Yale Alumni Advisory Board, and secretary of the American branch of the International Migration Society.

In 1940 he wrote to H. Isabel Viets, "Since 1930 I have not been active in public affairs but have lived quietly at home." However in the spring of 1942 he was appointed by Governor Hurley as a member of the state rationing board.

ii. Helen Eva Makepeace, born July 17, 1876 in Gloucester, was educated in the public schools of Andover and Springfield, Massachusetts, and Smith College from which she was graduated with a B.A. degree in 1899. In college she was a member of the Philosophical and Biological Societies, assisted in the laboratory, and afterwards took post graduate work at the Woods Hole Biological Laboratories in 1899 and 1900. She was prominent in college athletics, and entered largely into the life of the institution. She taught in Mrs. Mead's School in Norwalk. She married June 2, 1906 Ralph S. Lillie, born August 8, 1875 in Toronto, Canada, son of George Waddell and Emily (Rattray) Lillie. Mr. Lillie was a professor at the University of Chicago. Two children (Lillie).

iii. Frank Barrow Makepeace Jr., born July 17, 1878 in Champlain, New York, was educated in the public schools of Springfield, Massachusetts, and graduated from Yale University in 1901. He won prizes in English literature and athletics and was a member of the University choir and glee club. Mr. Makepeace was a lawyer in New York City. He married October 24, 1908 Lucetta Plum Banks, born January 20, 1874 in New York City, daughter of David and Lucetta Plum (Graham) Banks. Mr. Makepeace died in the summer of 1942 in Texas. Four children (Makepeace).

360. (Henry Rouse[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Henry Rouse Viets, son of James Rollin and Cordelia T. (Rouse) Viets, was born in East Granby February 17, 1856. He was educated in the public and select schools of East Granby and the Hartford High School; he was in business in Boston for many years. He married June 29, 1882 in Monson, Massachusetts, Annie Rebecca Tufts, born in Lynn, Massachusetts, January 6, 1860, daughter of Colonel Gardiner and Margaret A. (Harris) Tufts. Margaret Harris was born in Ipswich, Massachusetts, December 10, 1828. Mrs. Viets was a descendant of Governor John Endicott and Governor Thomas Dudley of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

Colonel Tufts was a native of Lynn and "was during the Rebellion specially distinguished for conspicuous and consistent loyalty." He was appointed by Governor Andrew as military agent of Massachusetts at Washington from July 1862 to July 1870, the first appointment of the kind by any governor. Colonel Tufts held office under eleven governors of Massachusetts, was visiting agent of the state board of charities, and was superintendent of the state primary school at Monson and the Massachusetts Reformatory in Concord. A marble bust in the senate chamber of the state house in Boston commemorates his memory.

Mr. Viets died August 4, 1935 in Hingham, Massachusetts. The widow resided in Hingham with her son and daughter and died at the age of ninety-eight in Norwell, Massachusetts, in 1958. [Massachusetts VR, FHF#0954762.] Children, born in Lynn, Massachusetts:

i. Marion Tufts, born June 1, 1884; was graduated from Smith College in 1907. Unmarried. She died January 4, 1957.
ii. Gardiner T., born March 6, 1887. Served in World War I, enlisting March 29, 1917 as a private. After the armistice was signed he served as a clerk in the Paris Post Office. He received his discharge from the army July 9, 1919. Unmarried. He died December 6, 1957.
iii. Henry Rouse Jr., born March 7, 1890. Resided in Dedham, Massachusetts. Unmarried.

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Viets, Henry Rouse, Neurologist; born Lynn, Mass. March 7, 1890; s. Henry Rouse and Annie Rebecca (Tufts) V.; B.Sc. Dartmouth Coll. 1912; M.D., Harvard Med. Sch., 1916, Moseley travelling fellow, 1916-17 (Oxford University); unmarried. In practice neurology since 1916; neurologist Mass. General Hospital; lecturer on neurology, Harvard Med. Sch.; lecturer on neurology and historical and cultural medicine U. of Texas, medical branch, Galveston; medical adviser to Nat. Broadcasting Co.; Mayo Meml. lectr. Dartmouth Med. Sch., 1959. Served as 1t. U.S. Army Med Corps, 1917-1919; maj Med. Corps Reserve 1920-30. Recipient citation for services, Myasthenia Gravis Found., 1959. Member advisory com., nat. Foundation for Infantile Paralysis;

sec. adv. bd. on Health Services, A.R.C.; chmn. med adv. bd. National Muscular Dystrophy Research Found., Inc., Myasthenia Gravis Foundation, Incorporated.

Diplomate Am. Bd. of Psychiatry and Neurology. Mem. A.M.A., Neural Assn. (v.p. 1942-43), Medical Hist. Section, Swedish Medical Society, Editorial Board, New England Journal of Medicine, Mass. Hist. of Science Soc., A.A.A.S.., Am. Assn. History of Medicine (pres 1949-50), Mass. Historical Society, American Antiquarian Society, American Acad. Arts and Sciences, Colonial Soc. of Mass., Boston Med. Library (curator), Psi Upsilon. Mem. hist. sect. Nat. Research Council. Republican Club: Harvard (Boston and N.Y.). Author: Brief History of Medicine in Mass., 1930; Medical History, Humanism and the Student of Medicine, pub. 1960; Thymectomy for Myasthenia Gravis (with R.S. Schwab), 1960. Contributor to scientific journals. Editor: A Brief Rule to Guide the Common People of New England, by Thomas Thatcher, 1937; Neurology and Psychiatry in General Practice, 1950. Home: 20 Chapel St., Brookline 46, Mass.

361. (Frederick Henderson$^{6}$, James R.$^{5}$, John$^{4}$, Luke$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Frederick Henderson Viets, son of James Rollin and Cordelia T. (Rouse) Viets, was born in East Granby July 7, 1858. He married January 1, 1884 in Lynn, Massachusetts, Hattie Florence Baldwin, born in Lynn August 19, 1863, daughter of Otis Lincoln Baldwin of Fitchburg, Massachusetts, and Lydia Maria (Thompson) Baldwin of Medford, Massachusetts. Mrs. Viets died in Lynn May 11, 1888.

Mr. Viets married for his second wife on June 20, 1893 Grace Elisabeth Trask, born in Lynn November 6, 1871, daughter of Stephen Wilson and Emma (Thompson) Trask. Stephen Wilson Trask was a son of John Bartlett Trask of Marblehead, son of John Trask of Gloucester, son of Ebenezer Trask of Gloucester, who was distinguished for various services during the Revolutionary War. He was stationed at Gloucester for coast defense, and also in Rhode Island. Mrs. Viets was known for her beautiful needlework and her gourmet cooking.

Mr. Viets went to Boston in 1876 and entered the dry goods business. In 1897 he and his brother Henry formed the firm of Viets Brothers in Boston as manufacturers of ladies' skirts. He died in his home in Arlington, Massachusetts, April 10, 1913. Mrs. Viets, at the age of ninety, was honored at the Viets Reunion in 1962 as the oldest person present. She died May 6, 1966 age ninety-four. Children, by first marriage:

588. i. Frederick Henderson Jr., born August 11, 1885.
589. ii. Howard Thompson, born December 5, 1886.
590. iii. Edward Lincoln, born May 8, 1888.

By second marriage:

iv. Katharine Eno, born June 4, 1896 in Swampscott, Massachusetts;

died October 13, 1918 in Washington, D.C., unmarried.

591. v. John Bartlett, born March 20, 1900.

362. (James Rollin[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

James Rollin Viets Jr., son of James Rollin and Cordelia T. (Rouse) Viets, was born in East Granby December 2, 1860. He was educated in the public schools of his native town and in Hartford high school. He was for several years engaged in mercantile pursuits in New Britain. In 1885 he became connected with the General Electric Company of Lynn, Massachusetts, and held a responsible position with that company.

He married April 6, 1886 Emily Tracy Couch, born January 21 1862 in Middlefield, daughter of J. O. Couch. She was a direct descendant of Captain John Couch who in 1774 was appointed Captain by the General Assembly of the colony of Connecticut for its defense, and in 1776 was captain under George Washington, and was sent with his company to aid in the defense of Fort Washington. She died August 29, 1908 in Brookline, Massachusetts, and was buried in Middlefield, Massachusetts. No children.

Obituary, Mrs. Emily Couch Viets, newspaper unknown

> By the passing of Mrs. Viets many persons have lost the presence of a friend who, by the choice qualities of her mind and generous impulses of her life, had greatly endeared herself to them. She was educated in the public schools of Middlefield, Conn. (where she was born January 21, 1862) and in Bradford academy. Her home was a center of cheer and encouragement for every good purpose and effort, and for all whose trials were known to her. She was buried in Middlefield, Conn.

Mr. Viets married for his second wife on November 7, 1905 Mrs. Caroline MacIntyre Parsons, born in Bridgeport September 3, 1862. She died October 6, 1933 in Lynn, Massachusetts. Mr. Viets died in Bakersfield while spending the winter in California April 4, 1934. He was buried in Pine Grove Cemetery in Lynn, Massachusetts.

363. (Arthur Eno[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Arthur Eno Viets, son of James Rollin and Cordelia T. (Rouse) Viets, was born August 27, 1864 in East Granby. After leaving school he was in Des Moines, Iowa, for five years and after that was in business in Boston. He married June 17, 1899 Harriet N. Heathcote, born May 19, 1870 in Salem, Massachusetts, daughter of Mark and Elizabeth (Jackson) Heathcote of England. Mr. Viets died December 31, 1917; Mrs. Viets died on May 22, 1934. Children, born in Lynn, Massachusetts:

i. Ruth Winifred, born July 18, 1900. Resided in Laconia, New Hampshire. Unmarried.

592. ii. Dorothy, born August 10, 1903.

364. (Emily Henderson[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Emily Henderson Viets, daughter of James Rollin and Cordelia T. (Rouse) Viets, was born in East Granby November 14, 1865. She was educated in the schools of her native town and attended school in Suffield and two years at Abbott Academy, Andover, Massachusetts. After leaving Andover she took a two years' course in kindergarten and taught in the normal school in New Britain. After teaching there one year she was sent to the Hampton Institute in Virginia to start a kindergarten for the black children in that region. After two years at Hampton she went to the Salisbury School in Worcester, Massachusetts, where she spent three years and started the first kindergarten of the public schools.

Later she moved to Detroit, Michigan where she was principal of the normal training kindergarten. She was an accomplished scholar, fond of literary pursuits and art studies. Miss Viets entered the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution through six ancestors, who were either in the Revolutionary War, or did duty in state affairs, or assisted in establishing American independence. Two ancestors were also in the French and Indian wars. She died May 1, 1929 in Salem, Massachusetts. She is buried in East Granby. [Hale, FHF#0003217.]

365. (Eliza Ann[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Eliza Ann Viets, daughter of George Watson and Delia E. (King) Viets, was born in East Granby March 11, 1836. She married in East Granby September 27, 1857 Henry Birge, born in Windsor Locks June 28, 1814, son of David and Clarissa (Merriman) Birge. He died in Windsor Locks March 2, 1899. Mrs. Birge died there September 11, 1895. Children, born in Windsor Locks:

i. Willis Henry Birge, born January 1, 1859; married February 11, 1880 Hattie Montgomery Sargent, born in Haverhill, Massachusetts, July 28, 1857, daughter of _____ and Emily Cloe (Goodell) Sargent. Mr. Birge died April 27, 1957 in Plainville. Mrs. Viets died April 13, 1931 in Windsor Locks. Four children (Birge). [Data from Maria Altmansberger, a descendant, Tacoma, Washington, 1988.]

ii. Burton Alonzo Birge, born August 17, 1860; married August 4, 1896 Helen Josephine Brazill who died March 18, 1906. Mr. Birge, for a number of years, was head clerk in the Grand Union Hotel in New York City. In later years he lived in California. He died July 25, 1935.

iii. Clara Delia Birge, born August 1, 1862; married on August 8, 1881 Albert A. Shaw of Poquonock, Windsor. Mrs. Shaw died December 8, 1916. One son (Shaw).

iv. Alice Eliza Birge, born January 14, 1866; married John Francis Souther of Boston who died in Florida in December 1935. Mrs. Souther resided in Newtonville, Massachusetts. No children.

v. Edward Watson Birge, born August 5, 1867; married April 21, 1891

Viola Milhern, born in New York City, July 29, 1868, daughter of Andrew J. and Maria L. Milhern. Resided in Peekskill, New York. Mr. Birge died March 5, 1958. One daughter (Birge).

vi. Jane Birge, born January 14, 1869; married October 16, 1889 Alfred Thomas Wyant who was born in Baltimore, Maryland, March 21, 1865, son of Isaac and Martha Wyant. Mrs. Wyant died in Springfield, Massachusetts, May 9, 1942. Four children (Wyant).

366. (George Byron[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

George Byron Viets, son of George Watson and Delia (King) Viets, was born in East Granby July 17, 1837. Mr. Viets emigrated to Nebraska when a young man; he married in Dakota City, Nebraska, January 1, 1870 Wilmina Joyce of New York City, born June 7, 1846, daughter of John Jay and Wilmina (VanBenschoten) Joyce. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] About 1881 or 1882 the family moved east and settled in Berlin, Connecticut, where Mr. Viets was a farmer and market gardener. Mrs. Viets died in Berlin May 31, 1904 and her husband died in Hollister, Massachusetts, June 12, 1918. Children, born in Dakota City, Nebraska:

593. i. Richard Byron, born December 25, 1870.
594. ii. Anson Eno, born July 17, 1877.
595. iii. John Joyce, born February 17, 1879.

367. (Antoinette Cynthia[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Antoinette Cynthia Viets, daughter of George Watson and Delia (King) Viets, was born in East Granby August 7, 1840 and died February 27, 1878 in the old homestead where she had always lived. She married November 12, 1863 Samuel A. Ellsworth, born in Windsor, son of Giles and Ellen (Hayden) Ellsworth. After his wife's death Mr. Ellsworth, with his children, moved to Fairmount, North Dakota, where Mr. Ellsworth died November 3, 1905. Children, born in East Granby:

i. Giles W. Ellsworth, born November 1864; married June 17, 1895 Cora Adelia Mead, born at Maiden Rock, Wisconsin, October 15, 1875, daughter of Alfred and Harriet (Letteed) Mead. She died April 3, 1928 and was buried in Fairmount. Mr. Ellsworth later resided in Milaca, Minnesota. One son (Ellsworth).

ii. Jennie Delia Ellsworth, born May 7, 1866; died in Springfield, Massachusetts, March 23, 1921. Buried in Windsor. Unmarried.

iii. Annie Esther Ellsworth, born November 12, 1867; married August 27, 1888 John A. Miller who was born in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, October 28, 1867. They resided in Tyler, North Dakota, where Mr. Miller was a farmer. Mrs. Miller died in 1948. Eight children (Miller).

iv. Ellen Frances Ellsworth, born December 4, 1871; married December 1893 Isaac O. Hull, born in Austin, Minnesota, April 2, 1864. He died in the family's winter home in Minneapolis, Minnesota, November 27, 1918. Two children (Hull).

v. Antoinette Lena Ellsworth, born April 28, 1876; married February 9, 1898 William A. Mead, born at Maiden Rock, Wisconsin, February 27, 1873, son of Alfred and Harriet (Letteed) Mead. Mr. Mead was a city detective in Superior, Wisconsin, and died there July 16, 1937. One son (Mead).

vi. Frederick Roger Ellsworth, born February 14, 1878; married July 16, 1900 in Wahpeton, North Dakota, Enola Horsman, born in Afton, Iowa, May 3, 1880. They resided in Cass Lake, Minnesota. Three children (Ellsworth).

368. (Charles Wilbur[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Wilbur Viets, son of George Watson and Delia (King) Viets, was born in East Granby July 14, 1844. He married Harriet Hayes, born December 12, 1848, daughter of William Hayes of Granby. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Mr. Viets enlisted in the Granby Company of the 14th Connecticut Volunteers in the Civil War and served with them for three years. After the war Mr. and Mrs. Viets moved to Nebraska, and in 1879 removed to Napoleon, North Dakota, where they made their home until 1911 when they returned to Connecticut. They purchased a home in Kensington, Berlin, where they spent their remaining days. Mrs. Viets died October 15, 1915; Mr. Viets died August 2, 1922. Both are buried in Granby. They had one foster daughter who married George J. Reed of Berlin. [Obituary.]

369. (Alfred Watson[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Alfred Watson Viets, son of George Watson and Delia (King) Viets, was born in East Granby September 30, 1850. He married October 26, 1885 Lillie Gardner, born November 3, 1857 in Skaneateles, New York, daughter of Sylvester and Malinda Gardner. She was a very capable woman, a former teacher, and one who looked well to the ways of her household. Mrs. Viets died in Thomaston September 17, 1934.

Obituary, Alfred Watson Viets, newspaper unknown

At the age of eighteen Alfred Viets went to Nebraska, then onto the steamboats on the Missouri River, where he spent ten years, working between Sioux City, Iowa, and Fort Buford, Montana. This was before the railroads had come into the West. In 1879 with his brother Wilbur, he moved by ox team from Nebraska to Dakota Territory and took up a homestead on section 9 of Fairmount Township, where he lived to see a new country developed. The nearest post office at that time was Breckenridge, Minnesota, and the nearest flour mill was at Fergus Falls.

Having a longing for the hills and valleys of his native land, he sold his homestead in 1912 and located near Walden in Montgomery Township, Orange County, New York, where he had a beautiful farm in the valley of the Walkill river where he resided until his death which occurred February 7, 1917, from a prolonged illness from hardening of the

arteries. He was a kind, considerate husband and father and commanded respect wherever known.

He was a charter member of Fairmount Lodge No. 39, I.O.O.F., having helped organize that lodge, also a member of the Yeoman Lodge of Des Moines, Iowa.

Children, born in Fairmount, North Dakota:

596. i. Delia M., born September 18, 1886.
597. ii. Elwyn Alfred, born April 18, 1888.
598. iii. Ena Mae, born August 9, 1889.
599. iv. Floyd G., born October 20, 1890.
600. v. Hermia G., born April 25, 1893.
601. vi. Genevieve, born December 28, 1895.

Reference: Compendium of History and Biography of North Dakota.

370. (Seth Allen$^{6}$, Allen$^{5}$, George$^{4}$, Luke$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Seth Allen Viets, son of Allen and Lorinda (Smith) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, East Granby, April 17, 1842. He attended schools in Windsor and Hartford when a boy as well as the school in his own district. Later he attended Wilbraham Academy and Fort Edward Institute. After spending some time at farming in Granville, Massachusetts, and in Windsor he went to West Suffield in 1868. There he commenced driving the stage and carrying the mail and passengers between there and Springfield, Massachusetts, a distance of about fifteen miles. He continued this until the winter of 1882. He also conducted a general store during a part of this period, disposing of this business in 1886. He took up the growing of tobacco which he followed up to the time of his death. In 1902 he was appointed agent for the Bowker Fertilizer Company which he successfully carried on until 1921.

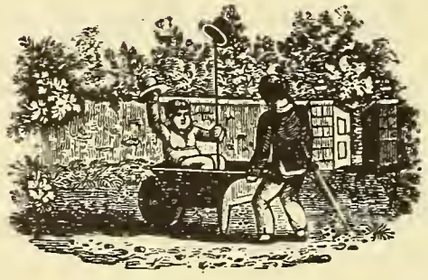
On November 15, 1870 he married in the West Suffield Methodist Church, Mary Jane Rowley, born in West Suffield March 27, 1848, daughter of Gad and Caroline (Case) Rowley. Mr. Viets died in his home December 25, 1923 after a few hours' illness. Mrs. Viets died June 28, 1916 in her home.

Obituary, newspaper unknown

Mrs. Viets was an active member and worker in the Methodist church as long as her health permitted and was one of its oldest members. She was church treasurer for several years before her death. She was a person of genial disposition, and will be missed by a wide circle of friends. The funeral was held in the Methodist church June 30th.

Children:

602. i. Vienna Lorinda, born May 11, 1872.
603. ii. Harriet Isabella, born May 26, 1874 in Suffield. One of the three compilers of the Viets Genealogy.
604. iii. Laura Mary, born May 18, 1879.



## SEVENTH GENERATION

### 371. (Henry Little[7], Henry S.[6], Henry[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Henry Little Viets, son of Henry Sheldon and Louise (Little) Viets, was born in Grinnell, Iowa, November 13, 1869. He married March 25, 1903 Gertrude Van Evera, born January 12, 1877 in Davenport, Iowa, daughter of John Edwin and Eleanor (Cessna) Van Evera. They resided in Long Beach, California. Mr. Viets died July 1, 1949 [California VR, FHM#6332560-54]. Mrs. Viets died June 30, 1965 in Los Angeles County [California VR, FHM#6332562-91]. Children, born in Grinnell:

605. i. Louise Eleanor, born October 22, 1906.
606. ii. Henry Edwin, born April 14, 1909.

### 372. (Clara Almira[7], Calvin[6], Chauncey[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Clara Almira Viets, daughter of Calvin and Mary F. (Smith) Viets, was born June 12, 1858 in Mantua, Ohio. She married June 27, 1878 in Portage County, Ohio, Adam M. Kail, born March 16, 1853 in Ohio, son of Adam and Rebecca Kail. She married second, William Ryder. Mrs. Ryder was residing in Riverside, California, in 1938. Child:

i. Nina Mae Kail, born March 8, 1885 in Exeter, Nebraska; married March 4, 1903 John Henry Smith, born June 28, 1884 in Freedom, Ohio, son of Edward and Lydia (Boney) Smith. Mrs. Smith died September 5, 1919. Two children (Smith).

### 373. (Emily Amelia[7], Calvin[6], Chauncey[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Emily Amelia Viets, daughter of Calvin and Mary F. (Smith) Viets, was born October 21, 1861 in Mantua, Ohio; married December 17, 1884 Bina Coit, born October 23, 1861 in Shalersville, Ohio, son of Burton and Lucy Ann (Connor) Coit. Mr. Coit was president of the Mantua, Ohio, Bank for 36 years. Mrs. Coit died June 22, 1927. Mr. Coit died in Cleveland, Ohio, December 2, 1944. Children, born in Shalersville:

i. Elizabeth Coit, born September 14, 1885; married September 4, 1909 Carl R. Harmon, born November 28, 1880 in Aurora, Ohio, son of Charles and Lucy (Doolittle) Harmon. He died in 1932. Mrs. Harmon resided in Lakewood, Ohio. One daughter (Harmon).
ii. Grace Coit, born December 17, 1887; married August 21, 1912 Earl R. Cable who was born April 4, 1882 in Point Pleasant, West Virginia, son of William Brown and Letitia (Holmes) Cable. They resided in Cleveland, Ohio. Four children (Cable).

374. (Norah[7], Miles[6], Chauncey[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Norah Viets, daughter of Miles and Julia (Sabin) Viets, was born October 31, 1864 in Shalersville, Ohio. She married first, on October 31, 1883 Albro Quinn, born November 10, 1857 in Auburn, Ohio, son of Samuel and Laura (Antisdale) Quinn. He died in 1888. Mrs. Quinn married on April 15, 1908 William Beardsley who died February 25, 1943. Mrs. Beardsley died December 2, 1940. Children, born in Shalersville:

i. Allen Quinn, born January 22, 1886; married June 16, 1910 Jennie M. Lewis, born October 9, 1883 in Exeter, Nebraska, daughter of William and Catherine (Kearney) Lewis. Mrs. Quinn died September 24, 1942. One daughter (Quinn).
ii. Gertrude Quinn, born August 1, 1887; married December 27, 1911 Archie Stamm, born January 26, 1886 in Troy, Ohio, son of John and Dian Elva (Cogan) Stamm. Eight children (Stamm).

375. (Blanche[7], William A.[6], Henry[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Blanche Viets, daughter of William A. and Mary (Sabin) Viets, was born in Humboldt, Nebraska, August 13, 1876. She married first on July 31, 1896 Howard Hale Jones who died in 1909. He was born April 29, 1870 in Springfield, Illinois, son of Cyrus and Nancy (Ferguson) Jones. He was a professor of physics and chemistry in Cotner University, University of Nebraska, and Nebraska State Medical College. Mrs. Jones married in 1915 Truman B. Sears. She died August 24, 1919. Children, by first marriage:

i. Mildred Jones, born July 5, 1897 in Lincoln, Nebraska; married September 7, 1917 Parley McAffee, born April 29, 1895 in Charleston, Utah, son of Maroni S. and Alice (Hanks) McAffee. They resided in Heber, Utah. Three children (McAffee).
ii. Paul Clifford Jones, born April 4, 1901 in Lincoln, Nebraska; married September 25, 1928 Coletha Juanita Kimberling, born October 2, 1906 in Carnegie, Oklahoma, daughter of Thomas Jefferson and Doris Leota (Akers) Kimberling. They resided in Salt Lake City. One daughter (Jones).

By second marriage:

iii. Grace Mary Sears, born November 13, 1918 in Duchesne, Utah; adopted by her mother's sister in 1919. [See No. 377.]

376. (Hubert L.[7], William A.[6], Henry[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Hubert L. Viets, son of William A. and Mary (Sabin) Viets, was born January 25, 1880 in Humboldt, Nebraska; married January 25, 1909 Mattie Wilson, born October 7, 1882 in Humboldt, daughter of William and Kitty (Marsh) Waters and adopted by Riley and Ella (Saunders) Wilson. Resided in Nokomis, Saskatchewan, Canada. He died November 27, 1951. No children.

377. (Grace[7], William A.[6], Henry[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Grace Viets, daughter of William A. and Mary (Sabin) Viets, was born June 18, 1883 in Humboldt, Nebraska. She married December 19, 1906 Rudolph Hnizda, born January 31, 1884 in Humboldt. They resided in Table Rock, Nebraska, where Mr. Hnizda was a mortician and owned a furniture and hardware store. One adopted daughter, Grace Mary, born November 13, 1918. [See No. 375.]

378. (Frankie Lavern Ardella[7], Newton E.[6], Henry[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Frankie Lavern Ardella "Vernie" Viets, daughter* of Newton Eugene and Amelia M. (Bazeley) Viets, was born in Ohio, in September 1865; married in San Jose, California, September 15, 1885 Orrin (or Orion?) S. Henderson, born June 1862. He was supervisor of San Joaquin County, California. They are listed in Stockton, San Joaquin County, California, in the 1900 census with two sons. An "Ada" Van Dasen is also living in the household and listed as "mother-in-law." In the 1910 census, Orrin S. Henderson is listed with wife "Elizabeth A.," born in California, and "Harriet Coleman" as "mother-in-law," born in Maine. Children, born in California:

i. Erline Henderson, born January 1887.
ii. Reed Henderson, born May 1891.

* May be a stepdaughter. [See No. 205.]

379. (Ada M.[7], Egbert H.[6], Henry[5], David[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Ada M. Viets, daughter of Egbert H. and Emma (Brode) Viets, was born 22 April 1882 in Johnston, Ohio. [VR, Trumbull County, Ohio.] She moved with her parents to Humboldt, Nebraska. She married Jesse Winn. [Father's obituary.] They moved to Canada where she died in 1932. No children.

380. (Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

[I am indebted to Jean (Viets) Highland, Warren, Ohio, a "fellow genealogist" of the Viets family, who provided much information on the descendants of Francis Viets.--DVS]

Francis Viets, son of Russell and Clarissa (Clark) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, January 19, 1856. He married June 5, 1875 Frances Elvira Tift, born April 23, 1858 in Southington, daughter of Joseph A. and Lucena (Chalker) Tift. She died in 1925. Mr. Viets spent his entire life in Southington. He was an active farmer and old-time Republican having always actively participated in local politics; he was a member of the Knights of Pythias. He acted as an assessor of the township. He died August 5, 1931. Children, born in Southington:

607. i. Clarence Russell, born August 30, 1876.
608. ii. Eugene Wells, born July 21, 1878.
609. iii. Todd F., born July 16, 1881.
610. iv. Clarissa Belle, born July 2, 1883.
611. v. Hal Herbert, born September 8, 1886.
612. vi. Frederick Hill, born January 21, 1889.
vii. Lottie Luella, born October 1892; died in 1900.
613. viii. Joseph McKinley, born July 30, 1896.

[Note: Several families and their descendants, including those of Eugene Wells, Hal Herbert, and Frederick Hill, spell their name Veits. Loren E., an uncle of the above brothers, also used this spelling.]

381. (Loren E.$^{7}$, Russell$^{6}$, Zopher$^{5}$, Luke$^{4}$, David$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Loren E. Veits [sic], son of Russell and Clarissa (Clark) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, August 25, 1860; married in Saugatuck, Michigan, December 19, 1882 Harriet Amanda Smalley, born in Elgin, Cook County, Illinois, January 13, 1863, daughter of William Barnes and Chloe Ann (Olcott) Smalley. They resided in Saugatuck, Michigan, where they both died, he on March 18, 1946 and she on January 22, 1949. Children:

614. i. Jennie R., born October 22, 1883.
ii. Jessie Della, born September 13, 1885 in Saugatuck, Michigan. Unmarried.
iii. Raymond H., born July 17, 1888; died March 9, 1907 in Saugatuck. [Allegan County, Michigan, VR, FHF#1017873.]
iv. George R., born February 2, 1895; died April 13, 1910 in Saugatuck. [Allegan County, Michigan, VR, FHF#1017873.]

382. (Melvin Guy$^{7}$, Henry$^{6}$, Zopher$^{5}$, Luke$^{4}$, David$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Melvin Guy "M. G." Viets, son of Henry and Lucy (Joy) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, March 9, 1873; married August 29, 1894 Dora B. White, born September 14, 1875 in Southington, daughter of Lewis P. and Juliet (Curtis) White. Mr. Viets was superintendent of Chalker High School in Southington. This school is thought to be the only endowed high school in the state. They retired in New Smyrna Beach, Florida. He died in 1954. Children:

i. Itol Ward, born July 3, 1895 in Southington; died August 19, 1906.
615. ii. Lowell C., born November 10, 1898.
iii. Henry Lewis, born May 25, 1903 in Warren, Ohio; died in 1904.
616. iv. Emerson, born January 1, 1908.
v. Ruby Maxine, born March 27, 1910 in Warren; died 1967 [tombstone, Pine Crest Cemetery, Southington]. Unmarried.

383. (Blanche G.[7], Henry[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Blanche G. Viets, daughter of Henry and Lucy (Joy) Viets, was born October 9, 1875 in Southington, Ohio; married July 6, 1895 Alfred X. "Fred" Hatch, born October 27, 1873 in New Wilmington, Pennsylvania, son of Lucian H. and Amelia (Betts) Hatch. They resided in Hempstead, Long Island, New York. Children:

i. Ila Hatch, born May 21, 1897 in Alliance, Ohio; married April 21, 1928 Theodore Powers, born November 1, 1892 in Hempstead, Long Island, son of James and Laura (Demott) Powers. Three children (Powers).
ii. George Hatch, born February 1, 1900 in Southington, Ohio; married March 20, 1920 Estelle Fawcett, born in Brooklyn, New York, March 14, 1904, daughter of John and Olive (McCarey) Fawcett. Three children (Hatch).

384. (Elta[7], Henry[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Elta Viets, daughter of Henry and Lucy (Joy) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, November 6, 1882 and died in 1936. She married June 1, 1910 Edward Smith, born in Braceville, Ohio, June 30, 1863, son of William and Mary (Leiby) Smith. Children, born in Southington:

i. Paul Smith, born March 22, 1911.
ii. George Smith, born March 29, 1919.

385. (Clara May[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Clara May Viets, daughter of Martin Henry and Myrtle (Bolles) Viets, was born June 23, 1875 in North Ridgeville, Ohio. She married November 29, 1894 Lewis Claude Case, born June 10, 1871 in Gilead, Indiana, son of Matthew W. and Helen (Ashelman) Case. Mrs. Case died June 12, 1904; Mr. Case died April 29, 1949.
Children:

i. Vivian Case, born October 23, 1895 in Alta Vista, Kansas; married April 11, 1920 Rosa Ellen Stice born January 31, 1898 in Bushong, Kansas, daughter of William W. and Mary E. (Perry) Stice. They resided in Augusta, Kansas. Five children (Case).
ii. Ellis Viets Case, born April 5, 1897 in Alta Vista; died August 16, 1899.
iii. Lois Helen Case, born January 11, 1899 in Alta Vista; married November 29, 1919 Harold McMurray, born August 5, 1896 in Kansas City, Kansas, son of Charles C. and Maude (Gailey) McMurray. They resided in Kansas City. Three children (McMurray).
iv. Ralph Case, born September 22, 1903 in Alta Vista; died October 1, 1903.

386. (Nettie Bell[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Nettie Bell Viets, daughter of Martin Henry and Myrtle (Bolles) Viets, was born October 1, 1876 in North Ridgeville, Ohio; married February 27, 1895 John Edgar Chitty, born August 2, 1869 in Shannon, Illinois, son of Robert Letcher and Susan B. (Potter) Chitty. Mr. and Mrs. Chitty both died in Manhattan, Kansas, he on March 31, 1950 and she on December 14, 1953. Children, born in Alta Vista, Kansas:

i. Ethel Hope Chitty, born January 29, 1896; married November 25, 1919 Amos Walden Leighton, born December 29, 1884 in Atchison, Kansas, son of Simeon Herndon and Ella (Martin) Leighton. He died February, 1940. Mrs. Leighton lived in Council Grove, Kansas. Two children (Leighton).
ii. Mable Charity Chitty, born August 15, 1898; died April 23, 1925.
iii. Pearl Ina Chitty, born December 5, 1902; married February 10, 1923 Allen Dale Roberts, born October 6, 1904 in Council Grove, Kansas, son of Thomas and Ella (Foster) Roberts. He died in April 1937. Mrs. Roberts lived in Alta Vista, Kansas. Four children (Roberts).
iv. Verna Irene Chitty, born March 23, 1905; married a Mr. Peterson. One daughter (Peterson) died in childhood.
v. Naida Mae Chitty, born July 28, 1909; died October 13, 1928.

387. (Charles Bolles[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Charles Bolles Viets, son of Martin Henry and Myrtle (Bolles) Viets, was born April 25, 1879 in Albion, Ohio; he married May 2, 1900 Lena Langvardt, born July 9, 1878 in Alta Vista, Kansas, daughter of Christian and Wilhelmina (Wolgast) Langvardt. They resided in Palacios, Matagorda County, Texas. Children:

617. i. Harlie Clyde, born January 13, 1903.
618. ii. Minnie Myrtle, born July 7, 1905.
619. iii. Merle August, born June 30, 1910.

Reference: Pioneers of the Blue Stem Prairie.

388. (Jennie Rebecca[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Jennie Rebecca Viets, daughter of Martin Henry and Myrtle (Bolles) Viets, was born January 8, 1884 in Alta Vista, Kansas; married there August 24, 1902 Albert William Syring, born October 28, 1880 in Templin, Brandenburg, Germany, son of Johan Frederick Ferdinand and Augusta Ernestina (Grundman) Syring. Mr. Syring died in Wenatchee, Chelan County, Washington, May 19, 1960. His widow died in Spokane, Washington, March 28, 1964. Children:

i. Carl Munsell Syring, born August 28, 1904 in Alta Vista; married August 12, 1928 Joy Berneta Elliott, born September 13, 1898 in Harveyville, Kansas, daughter of Joseph C. and Maude (Shideler) Elliott. They resided in Wenatchee, Washington. One son (Syring).

ii. Harold Ernest Syring, born April 26, 1906 in Alta Vista; married November 9, 1926 Myrtle Elizabeth Hastings, born August 22, 1905 in Whiting, Kansas, daughter of James and Bertha (Crawford) Hastings. He married second, May 14, 1954 Hazel Lois Alger. Resided in Wenatchee, Washington. Three children (Syring).

iii. Myrtle Loraine Syring, born August 31, 1908 in Alta Vista; died November 10, 1935.

iv. Ina Bell Syring, born October 1, 1910 in Alta Vista.

v. Alberta May Syring, born May 5, 1913 in Alta Vista; married January 31, 1931 Clarence Everett Bradshaw, born October 24, 1911 in Topeka, Kansas, son of Asa and Maggie (Williams) Bradshaw. She married second, January 31, 1947 Clinton Ben Linscott.

vi. Harry Clyde Syring, born August 30, 1914 in Alta Vista; married August 28, 1938 Erma Marjorie Johnson, born January 7, 1919 in Dryden, Washington, daughter of Oscar F. and Edna (Maxwell) Johnson.

vii. Leslie Charles Syring, born September 10, 1916 in Alta Vista; married July 31, 1938 Dovey Frances Yancey, born January 17, 1914 in Oxford, Arkansas, daughter of Maxey and Ethel (McVey) Yancey. Mr. Syring died April 21, 1975 in Wenatchee, Washington.

viii. Victor Morris Syring, born September 21, 1919 in Alta Vista; married January 5, 1943 Dorothyruth Willsey.

ix. Edith Loma Syring, born May 20, 1921 in Alta Vista; married October 4, 1942 Dr. Vernon Lee Dixon, an optometrist. Four children (Dixon). They reside in Spokane, Washington.

x. Robert Lewis Syring, born November 23, 1923 in Topeka, Kansas; married August 31, 1946 Viola Rose Zimbelman.

**389. (Nora Jane$^{7}$, Martin H.$^{6}$, Henry M.$^{5}$, Jonathan M.$^{4}$, Jonathan$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Nora Jane Viets, daughter of Martin Henry and Myrtle (Bolles) Viets, was born March 16, 1886 in Alta Vista, Kansas; married February 3, 1924 Guilford S. Nichols, born in Dunlap, Kansas, October 19, 1880. Mrs. Nichols died July 14, 1968 in Topeka, Kansas. No children.

**390. (Gertrude Mary$^{7}$, Martin H. $^{6}$, Henry M.$^{5}$, Jonathan M.$^{4}$, Jonathan$^{3}$, Henry$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Gertrude Mary Viets, daughter of Martin Henry and Myrtle (Bolles) Viets, was born August 7, 1888 in Alta Vista, Kansas. She married March 30, 1907 Edgar W. Roberts, born November 22, 1882 in Hillsboro, Ohio, son of Lewis Cunningham and Emma (Williams) Roberts. Mr. Roberts died in Council Grove, Kansas, August 11, 1969; his widow died there November 25, 1970. Children:

i. Marie Elnora Roberts, born June 14, 1908 in Alta Vista; married November 2, 1929 Gordon E. Faulconer, born February 10, 1908 in Council Grove, son of James David and Grace L. (Fisher) Faulconer. Resided in Council Grove, Kansas. One daughter (Faulconer).

ii. Roma Fay Roberts, born July 15, 1912 in Council Grove; married November 5, 1933 Richard Gordon Smith, born August 17, 1909 in Bison, Kansas, son of Alpha and Frances (Kottal) Smith. Resided in Council Grove. Mrs. Smith died March 16, 1974. Two children (Smith).

iii. Vera Kathryn Roberts, born August 19, 1914 in Council Grove; died May 1, 1921.

iv. Lewis Paul Roberts, born January 4, 1919 in Council Grove; married Ada H. Brown. He died July 8, 1961.

**391. (Leroy Ellsworth[7], Jonathan M..[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

From the pen of the Reverend Leroy Ellsworth Viets

Rev. Leroy Ellsworth Viets, son of Jonathan Munsell and Elizabeth Lena (Henson) Viets, was born July 25, 1871 in Springfield Township, Ohio; studied in the public schools of Bryan, Ohio, and at Denison University, Granville, Ohio, from which he was graduated A.B. in 1897. He took a three year course in the Divinity School of the University of Chicago and was ordained in the ministry (Baptist) in December 1900. Married July 10, 1900 at Granville, Ohio, Adelaide Lucretia Clemons, daughter of Hiram L. and Martha (Messenger) Clemons. Mrs. Viets' maternal Revolutionary ancestor, Captain David Messenger, was a member of the original colony from Granville, Massachusetts, which settled Granville, Ohio, in 1805.

His ministerial service has been as follows: Pastor, First Baptist Church, St. James, Minnesota; Watertown, South Dakota; Tabernacle Baptist, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Pastor-at-Large for the Minnesota Baptist Convention; First Baptist Church, Iowa Falls, Iowa; Webster City, Iowa; Boone, Iowa; Fort Scott, Kansas. His resignation was not accepted by his last church, but he retired from the active pastorate and is giving himself to supply work and preaching missions. He has served on various denominational boards, as Minnesota Baptist Education Society, the state conventions of South Dakota, Iowa, and Kansas; fifteen years treasurer of the Iowa Baptist Assembly. His first church was a small one of 70 members and his last of over 800.

On his return to Boone he was drafted into work in the Masonic fraternity, serving in every place and station, becoming the worshipful Master of Mt. Olive Lodge in 1945 and trustee of the Lodge and Masonic Temple for the three years following. In 1948 Rev. and Mrs. Viets removed to Omaha, Nebraska where they entered the Jonas Baptist Home.

Leroy Ellsworth Viets was the owner of the account book of Henry Viets, son of Dr. John. Child:

i. Kathryn Elizabeth, a foster daughter, born April 9, 1913 Iowa Falls, Iowa; married Roy Arnold Meyers, January 7, 1933. They resided in Fort Scott, Kansas, in 1949. They have two daughters: Barbara Ann Meyers, born November 20, 1933, and Helen Elizabeth Meyers, born July 2, 1938.

**392. (Carrie Edna[7], Chauncey H.[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Carrie Edna Viets, daughter of Chauncey Hastings and Annie E. (Buck) Viets, was born November 20, 1875 in Avon, Ohio; married June 3, 1896 Howard A. Walker, born December 16, 1870 in Avon, son of Alfred and Sarah Jane (Peel) Walker. Mrs. Walker died in 1947. They resided in Avon. Children:

i. Albert Leroy Walker, born May 30, 1897 at Avon Lake, Ohio; married February 22, 1923 Milburn E. Gordon, born June 7, 1897 in Hedges, West Virginia, daughter of Joseph Flynn and Emma (Pitzer) Gordon. One son (Walker).

ii. Jessie Lucille Walker, born November 23, 1898 at Avon Lake; married November 14, 1928 Arthur Hudson, born in Elyria, Ohio. No children.

iii. Elsie Irene Walker, born December 8, 1900 in Sheffield, Ohio; married October 3, 1922 Harold G. Smith, born July 30, 1890 in Avon, son of Frank Newton and Margaret (Gibson) Smith. Two children (Smith).

iv. Edna Gladys Walker, born August 9, 1902 in Avon; married September 23, 1925 Lewis Klinect, born January 29, 1900 in Grafton, Ohio, son of William H. and Lottie (Marsh) Klinect. Five children (Klinect).

v. Mabel Elizabeth Walker, born December 29, 1905 in Avon; married June 3, 1931 Harry Crandall, born April 30, 1905 in Clarksfield, Ohio, son of Dell (or Burdell) and Lillian (Twaddle) Crandall. Two children (Crandall).

vi. Nina Mildred Walker, born September 24, 1909 at Avon Lake; married May 31, 1932 Leonard Clawson, born November 3, 1908 in Clarksfield, Ohio, son of Oscar Leroy and Salome (Prough) Clawson. One son (Clawson).

**393. (Bertha May[7], Chauncey H.[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Bertha May Viets, daughter of Chauncey Hastings and Annie E. (Buck) Viets, was born August 11, 1878 in Sheffield, Ohio; married George Smith, who died in Cleveland, Ohio, June 15, 1912. No children.

394. (Ralph H.[7], Chauncey H.[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Ralph H. Viets, son of Chauncey Hastings and Annie E. (Buck) Viets, was born June 29, 1888 in Dover, Ohio; married June 9, 1915 Nellie L. Graham, born June 24, 1884 in Desden, Ontario, Canada, daughter of Martin and Mary Jane (French) Graham. Mr. Viets died at Rocky River, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, June 1, 1920. Mrs. Viets resided at Lakewood, Ohio. She died July 19, 1958. [Obituary, Plain Dealer.] Child:

620. i. Charles Ralph, born July 5, 1916.

395. (Jennie Estella[7], Charles F.[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Jennie Estella Viets, daughter of Charles Fremont and Mary Jane (Everett) Viets, was born February 21, 1887 in Dover, Ohio. She married April 30, 1917 Stephen Francis Toland, born May 1, 1887 in Honcut, California, son of Manassas M. and Priscilla Elizabeth (McCallan) Toland. They resided in Las Plumas, California. Children, born in Oroville, California:

i. Florence Priscilla Toland (twin), born April 6, 1918.
ii. Frances Estella Toland (twin), born April 6, 1918.
iii. Elizabeth Jane Toland, born November 20, 1922.
iv. James Robert Stephen Toland, born March 20, 1926.

396. (Nellie Lydia[7], Charles F.[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Nellie Lydia Viets, daughter of Charles Fremont and Mary Jane (Everett) Viets, was born April 13, 1893 in Los Angeles, California. She married first, on January 26, 1910 William H. Darge, born October 11, 1882 near Placerville, California, son of William F. and Anna (Scott) Darge. He died in Stockton, California, in 1918. Mrs. Darge married second December 12, 1923 George H. Hensley, born October 22, 1882 near Eugene, Oregon, son of William B. and Minnie (Newman) Hensley. They resided in Chico, California. Children, by first marriage:

i. Effie Elaine Darge, born July 22, 1910 in Dayton, California; married February 4, 1931 Melvin W. Bethard, born January 12, 1911 in Bangor, California, son of Augustus W. and Evelyn (Cole) Bethard. Three children (Bethard).
ii. Annie Jane Darge, born April 21, 1912 in Dayton; married June 4, 1932 in Carson City, Nevada, Henry A. Gilmer, born July 31, 1906 in Ingot, California, son of George A. and Sophie (Grothe) Gilmer. Three children (Gilmer).
iii. Geneva May Darge, born November 25, 1913 in Dayton; married in Durham, California, March 21, 1936 Boyd Borrowman of Gridley, California.

iv. Alice Rosalie Darge, born March 7, 1917 near Gridley, California.

By second marriage, born in Dayton, California:

v. Hollis Lydia Hensley, born September 20, 1924; died February 11, 1926.
vi. George Phillip Hensley, born February 28, 1926.
vii. Walter Edward Hensley, born December 1, 1930.
viii. Gladys Nellie Hensley, born January 1, 1932.

**397. (Charles Fremont[7], Charles F.[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Charles Fremont Viets Jr., son of Charles Fremont and Mary Jane (Everett) Viets, was born June 7, 1896 in Los Angeles, California; he married July 16, 1924 Clara Etta Lowry, born August 18, 1895 in Holley, Oregon, daughter of George and Luella Jane (Riggs) Lowry. They resided in Chico, California. Mr. Viets died April 14, 1978 in Butte County, California. [California VR, FHM#6332563.] Children, born in Chico:

i. Dorothy Ileen, born July 21, 1928.
ii. Donna Marie, born July 16, 1931.

**398. (Lillie Mary[7], Charles F.[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Lillie Mary Viets, daughter of Charles Fremont and Mary Jane (Everett) Viets, was born April 3, 1902 in Dayton, California; married March 9, 1927 William Sandlin Hook, born July 18, 1896 in Vacaville, California, son of Charles Addison and Mary Amelia (Sandlin) Hook. They resided in Durham, California. Children:

i. Donald Richard Hook, born February 7, 1928 in Durham; died November 25, 1934.
ii. Mary Jane Hook, born April 9, 1930 in Durham.
iii. Doris Ann Hook, born November 8, 1935 in Chico, California.

**399. (Homer Everett[7], Charles F.[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Homer Everett Viets, son of Charles Fremont and Mary Jane (Everett) Viets, was born February 6, 1905 in Dayton, California; married September 23, 1928 in Sacramento, California, Veda Irene Ledbetter, born October 23, 1906 near San Clemente, California, daughter of James and Nancy E. (Ginn) Ledbetter. Mr. Viets died February 25, 1946 in San Francisco, California. Children:

i. Beverly Mae, born December 11, 1930 in Lodi, California.
621. ii. Richard Lyle, born January 16, 1932.
iii. Gerald Leroy, born July 25, 1933 in Lodi.

400. (Beula Nora[7], James D.[6], James H.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Beula Nora Viets, daughter of James Duane and Kate Henrietta (Reed) Viets, was born in Granby July 5, 1890. She married in Springfield, Massachusettts, November 9, 1912 Clarence E. Goddard, born in Brooklyn, New York, January 5, 1888, son of George Edward and Lillian M. (Beck) Goddard. They resided in Springfield, Massachusetts. Child:

i. Duane Edward Goddard, born September 5, 1913 in Springfield.

401. (Marion Gertrude[7], Samuel D.[6], James H.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Marion Gertrude Viets, daughter of Samuel David and Gertrude Mary (Clark) Viets, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, October 29, 1897; married in 1923 Howard E. Rainey, born in Hudson, New York, son of S. Mitchell and Ida (Miles) Rainey. They resided in Hudson, New York. Child:

i. Clarke Mitchell Rainey, born August 1, 1927 in Springfield.

402. (Lucy Mae[7], Jason E.[6], Jason R.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Lucy Mae "Mazie," daughter of Jason Edward and Lucy Adeline (Bacon) Viets, was born in East Granby June 21, 1903. She married Adolph Westley Viets. [See No. 564.]

403. (Morgan Jason[7], Jason E.[6], Jason R.[5], Festus[4], James [3], Henry[2], John[1])

Morgan Jason Viets, son of Jason Edward and Lucy A. (Bacon) Viets, was born in East Granby September 9, 1906: married December 30, 1935 Elsa Lydia Belden, born in Suffield, July 1, 1905, daughter of Edward Curtis and Mary (Sheldon) Belden. They resided in East Granby where Mr. Viets worked for the State Highway Department. Mrs. Viets died June 5, 1967 in Suffield and her husband died the same year. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. Children:

i. George Elry, born August 1, 1937 in East Granby.
622. ii. Jason Edward II, born February 11, 1939.
iii. Rollin Paul, born May 4, 1941 in Hartford; he was the youngest member at the 1941 Viets' reunion and received a silver cup.
623. iv. Mary Lucy, born June 14, 1944.
624. v. Roy Charles, born January 6, 1946.
625. vi. Fred Morgan, born March 12, 1948.

404. (Lolita Alice[7], Jason E.[6], Jason R.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Lolita Alice Viets, daughter of Jason Edward and Lucy A. (Bacon) Viets, was born in East Granby, June 17, 1908; married June 19, 1933 Walter Chagnot, born in Waterbury September 15, 1899, son of Abel and Georgiana (McCarthy) Chagnot.

Mr. Chagnot died in 1949. Mrs. Chagnot later married Thomas Splaine. She died December 6, 1978. Child:

i. Marie Jeannette Chagnot, born August 16, 1936 in East Granby; married John Prevo.

405. (Mahuldah Anna[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Mahuldah Anna Viets, daughter of William and Catherine (Schlechty) Viets, was born March 3, 1858 in Ohio. She married September 1, 1878 William Gibson, born February 21, 1858 in Darke County, Ohio, son of Jonathan and Margaretta (Rose) Gibson. He died April 18, 1919; his widow died December 22, 1926. Children:

i. Mary Emily Gibson, born January 30, 1880 in Rossburg, Ohio. She married Christian Bouillon, born September 2, 1879 in Germany, son of Philip and Elizabeth (Kadish) Bouillon. She died November 16, 1911. Two children (Bouillon).
ii. Alwilda C. Gibson, born in Ohio; married February 28, 1904 Amacel Malcuit, born December 10, 1882, son of Victor and Catherine Malcuit. He died December 22, 1936. One daughter (Malcuit).

406. (Mary[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary "Mollie" Viets, daughter of William and Catherine (Schlechty) Viets, was born August 8, 1859 in Indiana; married in Darke County, Ohio, December 4, 1880 Daniel Y. Fort, born February 4, 1857 in Darke County Ohio, son of Lootsey and Rachael (Williamson) Fort. He died August 13, 1925; Mrs. Fort died February 6, 1937. Children:

i. Harry Fort, born July 16, 1882 in Darke County; died February 22, 1939. One son (Fort).
ii. Effie Fort, born September 11, 1886 in Darke County; married December 20, 1904 Adam Geron, born September 4, 1883 in Springfield, Ohio, son of Jacob and Gertrude (Greiser) Geron. Four children (Geron).
iii. Homer Fort, born September 10, 1901 in Clark County, Ohio; died September 26, 1926 leaving a widow and three daughters (Fort).

407. (Sarah J.[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Sarah J. Viets, daughter of William and Catherine (Schlechty) Viets, was born June 23, 1860 in Osgood, Ohio; married November 9, 1879 [Darke County, Ohio, Marriages, 1851-1898] Jonathan D. Gibson, born February 21, 1857 in New Weston, Ohio, and died February 3, 1938. He was a son of Jonathan D. and Margaretta (Rose) Gibson. Mrs. Gibson died November 14, 1889. [Short and Bower, Cemetery Inscriptions, Darke County, Ohio.] Children:

i. Frank E. Gibson, born June 8, 1880 in Rossburg, Ohio; married November 1901 Elizabeth Morris, born August 23, 1883 in Columbus Grove, Ohio, daughter of Henry and Rachel (Sherrelts) Morris. Resided in Dayton, Ohio. Five children (Gibson).
ii. Prudie H. Gibson, died in infancy, August 20, 1881.
iii. Roy H. Gibson, died in infancy.

408. (Elijah A. J.[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John1)

Elijah A. J. Viets, son of William and Catherine (Schlechty) Viets, was born May 23, 1863 in Indiana; married in Darke County, Ohio, April 7, 1885 Ella Coble, born July 7, 1868 near Woodland, Ohio, daughter of Alexander and Matilda Jane (Hutchen) Coble. They both died in Toledo, Ohio, he on September 18, 1866 and she on May 2, 1958. Child:

626. i. Mabel Estelle, born September 25, 1889.

409. (William[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

William Viets, son of William and Catherine (Schlechty) Viets, was born April 3, 1866 in Darke County, Ohio; married 1886 Catherine Beard, born January 9, 1866 in Darke County, daughter of George and Susannah Beard. They lived in Champaign County, Ohio. Children:

627. i. Wando Adelbert, born September 15, 1886.
628. ii. Melvin, born November 25, 1889.
629. iii. Clifford, born July 24, 1892.
iv. Harry, born July 16, 1897. [VR, Clark County, Ohio, FHF#466658.]
630. v. Leaffie Forest, born September 22, 1899.
631. vi. Edna, born October 16, 1902.

410. (Enrique DeNova[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Enrique DeNova "Nova" Viets, son of William and Catherine (Schlechty) Viets, was born March 11, 1867 in Jay County, Indiana. He married and was divorced [data from marriage record to second wife]. He married second in Darke County, Ohio, October 15, 1904 Mrs. Amanda J. (Wilson) DeWeese, widow, born July 18, 1860 in Lexington, Perry County, Ohio, daughter of James W. and Margaret Ann (McClurg) Wilson. Her first husband was Harvey DeWeese who died August 2, 1902 or 1903 in Darke County, Ohio. Mr. Viets died in April 1937 in Darke County and is buried in Shooks Chapel Cemetery, Wabash Township, Darke County. Mrs. Viets died April 5, 1937 in Yorkshire, Darke County, Ohio, and is buried in Yorkshire Cemetery. No children.

References: Marriage certificate, FHF#1030775, No. 17; Short and Bower, Darke County, Ohio, Cemetery Inscriptions; data on Wilson line from James H. Johnson, Escondido, California.

411. (Lillie A.$^{7}$, William$^{6}$, Hezekiah$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Lillie A. Viets, daughter of William and Catherine (Schlechty) Viets, was born April 5, 1873 in Allen Township, Darke County, Ohio. She married Henry Grube.

412. (Cora May$^{7}$, William$^{6}$, Hezekiah$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Cora May Viets, daughter of William and Catherine (Schlechty) Viets, was born April 27, 1879 in Allen Township, Darke County, Ohio; married in Darke County September 19, 1894 Emit Westfall. [Darke County, Ohio, Marriages, 1851-1898.] Mrs. Westfall died March 27, 1937; Mr. Westfall died February 8, 1960. Child:

i. Cecil Westfall, married J. E. Canode. She died November 8, 1961.

413. (Capitola$^{7}$, Charles$^{6}$, Hezekiah$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Capitola Viets, daughter of Charles and Clementine (Robbins) Hathaway Viets, was born about 1863. She married Henry Johnston in Darke County, Ohio, November 6, 1880. [Darke County, Ohio, Marriages, 1851-1898.] Children:

i. Beryl Johnston, died young.
ii. Harry Johnston, married _____ Thum of Dayton, Ohio.

414. (Orville D.$^{7}$, John W.$^{6}$, Hezekiah$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Orville D. Viets, son of John Wesley and Sophia (Burkett) Viets, was born May 25, 1863; married July 1, 1883 Harriet E. Pyle, born February 18, 1866 in Germantown, Ohio, daughter of Lewis and Mary (Buzzard) Pyle. Mr. Viets died in Greenville, Ohio, January 18, 1933. His widow died in 1952. Both are buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, Fort Jefferson, Ohio. [Tombstones.] Children:

i. Lester, born July 28, 1884 in Savona, Ohio; died March 17, 1919. Unmarried.
632. ii. Bessie, born September 25, 1886.
633. iii. Roxie Ellen, born September 27, 1888.
634. iv. Gladys D., born October 26, 1894.
635. v. Lewis Wesley, born December 14, 1896.
636. vi. Charles Harold, born March 20, 1900.
637. vii. Mildred A., born January 12, 1902.
638. viii. Helen Gertrude, born May 20, 1904.
ix. Mary Sophia, born January 18, 1906 in Butler. Married James McKee. Resided Portsmouth, Ohio.
639. x. Wayne William, born June 21, 1909.

Reference: Darke County, Ohio, Births, FHF#1030769.

415. (Ulysses Schuyler[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Ulysses Schuyler Viets, son of John Wesley and Sophia (Burkett) Viets, was born June 4, 1868; married June 29, 1889 Mary Adkins, born March 3, 1867 in Darke County, Ohio, daughter of Riley and Hester (McCool) Adkins. They resided in Dayton. Mr. Viets died February 26, 1939 and his widow died in 1949. Both are buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, Ft. Jefferson, Ohio. [Tombstones, no dates.] Children:

640. i. Omer R., born November 4, 1889.
641. ii. Hester Sophia, born May 23, 1891.
642. iii. Flossie E., born June 2, 1893.
643. iv. Ethel Loree, born March 9, 1895.

416. (Sally B.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Sallie "Sadie" B. Viets, daughter of John Wesley and Sophia (Burkett) Viets, was born August 16, 1876; married August 15, 1896 Tillman F. Crawford, born in Arcanum, Ohio, December 1871, son of William R. and Mary (Rogers) Crawford. Resided in New Madison, Ohio. Mrs. Crawford died March 3, 1954; Mr. Crawford died in 1973. [Tombstones, Oak Grove Cemetery, Ft. Jefferson, Ohio.] Children:

i. Roy K. Crawford, born January 21, 1897. Unmarried. Died in 1956.
ii. Capitola M. Crawford, born February 24, 1899; married June 24, 1922 Clyde McEntire, born in York, Ohio, son of William and Addie (Davis) McEntire. Resided Noblesville, Indiana. Three children (McEntire).
iii. Ruby Ilene Crawford, born April 25, 1901; married October 11, 1919 Bert Ketring, born September 16, 1897, son of Lloyd and Mary (Royer) Ketring. Resided New Madison. Two children (Ketring).
iv. Hazel Pauline Crawford, born May 25, 1904 in Butler, Darke County, Ohio; married Earl Pritchard. Three children (Pritchard).
v. Charles R., born 1910; died 1910. [Tombstone, Oak Grove Cemetery, Ft. Jefferson, Ohio.]
vi. Robert Crawford, born January 1912.
vii. Verna D. Crawford, born August 16, 1915; married Myrle Miller. Resided New Madison. Two children (Miller).

417. (Helen Augusta[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Helen Augusta "Nellie" Viets, daughter of John Wesley and Sophia (Burkett) Viets, was born December 7, 1882; married in Darke County, Ohio, August 8, 1910 Calvin John Imler, born March 6, 1877 in Bedford County, Pennsylvania, son of Mathias and Nancy (Brumbaugh) Imler. Mrs. Imler died in 1973. They resided in Greenville, Ohio. Child:

i. Beatrice Ilene Imler, born April 24, 1913 in Neave Township, Darke County, Ohio; married December 7, 1938 Lester Riegle, born January 19, 1912 in Brown Township, son of Lewis and Sarah E. (Blotner) Riegle. Resided in Greenville. She died December 1, 1983. One daughter, Linda Riegle, a federal judge in Las Vegas, Nevada.

418. (Estella[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Estella Viets, daughter of Elijah and Phebe (Mead) Viets, was born April 2, 1871 near Lincoln, Nebraska; married August 10, 1890 James J. Pennington, born March 14, 1866 in Henryville, Tennessee, son of Isaac and Barbara J. (Pennington) Pennington. Estella died in Nashville, Tennessee, November 12, 1942. Her husband died in Henryville, January 20, 1945. Children, born in Henryville:

i. Leola Janet Pennington, born October 17, 1891; married July 7, 1910 Ernest B. Pollock, born March 14, 1888 near Napier, Tennessee, son of Benjamin and Lizzie (Reed) Pollock. Resided in Toledo, Ohio. Two children (Pollock).
ii. Isaac Bertram Pennington, born December 23, 1894; married December 24, 1922 May Chambers, born September 23, 1902 near Red Hill, Tennessee. Resided Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. Four children (Pennington).
iii. Amy Loretta Pennington, born February 25, 1897; married March 4, 1915 Thomas G. Pollock, born August 26, 1893 near Napier, Tennessee, son of Benjamin and Lizzie (Reed) Pollock. He died in 1941. Two children (Pollock).
iv. James Joyce Pennington, born December 4, 1899; died August 14, 1901.
v. Vera Viets Pennington, born October 19, 1906; married first, April 10, 1927 Seth Hughes, born October 1904 in Toledo, Ohio. She married second, May 24, 1935 Jack Jacobs. They resided in Toledo. One son (Hughes).
vi. Elbert Eugene Pennington, born December 24, 1908; married first, December 24, 1933 Marcella Withrow. He married second, February 26, 1938 Juanita Jay, born December 5, 1917. Mr. Pennington was superintendent of the American Bread Company in Nashville. He was robbed and murdered July 27, 1938. One son (Pennington).

419. (Bertram[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Bertram "Bertie" Viets, son of Elijah and Phebe (Mead) Viets, was born June 5, 1876 near Riverton, Nebraska; married March 8, 1896 Nona B. Rye, born December 24, 1875 near Blue Lick Springs, Kentucky, daughter of Jefferson and Annie (Skillman) Rye. They resided in El Cajon, California. Mr. Viets died October 13, 1952 in Los Angeles County. [VR, California, FHM#6332561.] Mrs. Viets died there July 24, 1967. [VR, California, FHM#6332562.] Children, born in Henryville, Tennessee:

644. i. Harry Leslie, born December 8, 1896.
645. ii. William H., born December 3, 1898.
646. iii. Oran, born February 19, 1901.
647. iv. Ina May, born December 22, 1905.
648. v. Hiram R. (twin), born September 19, 1910.
649. vi. Byrom A. (twin), born September 19, 1910.

420. (**Elizabeth Alvina Marie**[7], **Hezekiah P.**[6], **Truman**[5], **Hezekiah P.**[4], **John**[3], **John**[2], **John**[1])

Elizabeth Alvina Marie Viets, daughter of Hezekiah Phelps and Margaret (Nagle) Viets, was born in Dakota, Minnesota, November 17, 1870. She married February 12, 1896 John F. Fraynd, born in Sparta, Wisconsin, January 25, 1859, son of John and Elizabeth (Hodge) Fraynd. He died in 1909. Mrs. Fraynd resided in Wallace, Idaho. Children:

i. William John Fraynd, born October 12, 1897 in Lanesboro, Minnesota.
ii. Virgil J. Fraynd, born June 6, 1899 in LaCrosse, Wisconsin; married September 15, 1930 Helen Marie Sack, who was born January 22, 1901 in St. Paul, Nebraska, daughter of John A. and Elizabeth Marcella (Klein) Sack. They resided in Gascoyne, North Dakota. One son (Fraynd).
iii. Margaret Elizabeth Fraynd, born February 26, 1906 in Leeds, North Dakota; married February 12, 1925 George John Thomas Jagim, born September 4, 1898 in Keystone, Iowa, son of Thomas and Anna (Koep) Jagim. Resided in Campbell, Minnesota. Two children (Jagim).
iv. Anthony Raphael Fraynd, born June 3, 1908 in Leeds. Unmarried. Resided in Idaho.
v. Mary Fraynd, died in infancy.

421. (**William Truman**[7], **Hezekiah P.**[6], **Truman**[5], **Hezekiah P.**[4], **John**[3], **John**[2], **John**[1])

William Truman Viets, son of Hezekiah Phelps and Margaret (Nagle) Viets, was born in Dakota, Minnesota, March 13, 1874. He and his wife Louise, born about 1879 in Illinois, were living in Chicago in 1910. A William T. Vietz died October 2, 1933 in Chicago. [VR, Cook County, Illinois, FHF#1295975.] No children.

422. (**Edward Michael**[7], **Hezekiah P.**[6], **Truman**[5], **Hezekiah P.**[4], **John**[3], **John**[2], **John**[1])

Edward Michael Viets, son of Hezekiah Phelps and Margaret (Nagle) Viets, was born August 13, 1875 in Minnesota. He was married and living in Chicago at the time of his death, October 2, 1933. [VR, Cook County, Illinois, FHF#1295975.] No children.

423. (Margaret Ellen[7], Hezekiah P.[6], Truman[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Margaret Ellen Viets, born September 22, 1877 in LaCrosse, Wisconsin; married Will F. Barron. Resided in Sacramento, California. Children:

i. Rodger Barron.
ii. Donald Barron.
iii. Mary Margaret Barron.

424. (Silas B.[7], Elam[6], Salmon[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Silas B. Viets, son of Elam and Jane Adeline Viets, was born May 21, 1837 in New Fairfield and died June 8, 1912 in Danbury. He married Elizabeth E. "Betty" _____, born February 21, 1842 and died July 31, 1910. [Hale, FHF# 0003217.] Mr. Viets was listed as a carriage maker in census records. No known children. [Danbury, Fairfield County, Connecticut, Census Records, 1860, 1870, 1900.]

425. (Wheeler J.[7], Elam[6], Salmon[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Wheeler J. Viets, son of Elam Viets, was born September 13, 1840 in New Fairfield, Connecticut. He served in the Civil War in Company D, Seventh Regiment Infantry. He was wounded August 16, 1864 at Deep Bottom, Virginia, and discharged July 20, 1865. [Pension certificate #957128.] He married first Susan H. Cook at Brewster Station, New York. He married second November 3, 1884 in Southeast Center Mary Ella Collard, born October 1858 in Connecticut. In the 1900 census for Danbury a Wheeler J. Veats, age fifty-eight, is listed with wife "Edna M.," age forty-two, and a son, Wheeler Jr., age six. Mr. Viets died September 6, 1911 in Danbury, Connecticut. Children, by first marriage:

i. Emma H., born April 1867 [father's pension record] in Weston, Connecticut; married Lester B. Wheeler October 8, 1889.
ii. Child born April 1869. Died before 1897 [?].

By second marriage?:

iii. Wheeler J. Jr., born August 1894 in Connecticut.

426. (Ann E.[7], Elam[6], Salmon[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Ann E. Viets, daughter of Elam and Jane Adeline Viets, was born about 1843 probably in New Fairfield. She married Selah Bevans, born about 1846 in Connecticut. [Danbury, Fairfield County, Connecticut, census, 1850-1880.] Child:

i. Elizabeth Bevans, born about 1873 probably in Danbury.

427. (Henry B.[7], Elam[6], Salmon[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Henry B. Viets, son of Elam Viets, was born August 27, 1843 in New Fairfield, Connecticut. He served in the Civil War in Company B, 23rd Regiment Infantry, then re-enlisted in the 1st Regiment, CV, Heavy Artillery. He married first, June 1868 in Danbury, Alice Alida Crosier, born November 22, 1851 (calculated from age at date of death) in Middlefield, Massachusetts, daughter of Lewis A. and Mary A. (Snow) Crosier. They separated and she apparently moved to Dalton, Massachusetts, with the children. [1900 census, Berkshire County, Massachusetts.] She died in Dalton March 17, 1929 [VR, Dalton]. Henry B. married second, a widow, Julia F. Ganon on June 7, 1916 at Brewster, New York. She had previously been married to George E. Bircham on October 25, 1896 and to John Ganon on November 29, 1907. Henry B. died October 14, 1923 in Danbury.

Note: There seems to be a discrepancy in the ages of their children. Henry B. listed four living children on his application for a pension in 1898--these appear as numbers i, iii, v, and vi. However, the dates of birth given for these do not fit with other data. It may be that George L. and Henry L. are one and the same person. Children, by first marriage:

650. i. Ida M., born April 1870. [VR, Dalton marriages.]
ii. Darius A., born June 1873?
651. iii. William D., born October 1873. [VR, Dalton, death certificate.]
652. iv. George Lewis, born January 3, 1875. [VR, Dalton.]
v. Mary A., born March 1875?
vi. Henry L., born June 1877.

Reference: Pension Certificate, Henry B. Viets, #0937790.

428. (Marshall Wilson[7], Lemuel W.[6], Zopher[5], [Hezekiah P.[4]?], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Marshall Wilson Viets, son of Lemuel Watson and Lydia F. (Wilson) Viets, was born in Granby, April 7, 1831. He married in Cleveland, Ohio, July 2, 1857 Jane "Jennie" Craig, born in Ireland in 1833 or 1834, daughter of John and Jane (Wilson) Craig. Mr. Viets was a printer in Cleveland for many years, being a partner with W. W. Savage in Viets and Savage Job Printing Company. [Cleveland City Directories.] Mrs. Viets died June 12, 1874; Mr. Viets died January 1, 1877. Children:

653. i. Marshall C., born December 29, 1858.
654. ii. Willis Everton, born March 31, 1867.
iii. Herbert L., died in infancy.

429. (Eugene Erskine[7], Lemuel W.[6], Zopher[5], [Hezekiah P.[4]?], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Eugene Erskine Viets, son of Lemuel Watson and Lydia F. (Wilson) Viets, was born in Hartford, Ohio, November 1838. He married in 1865 or 1866 Lydia Chapin, born April 1839 near Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Mr. Viets died in Meadville, Pennsylvania, February 1909. Mrs. Viets died in August 1919. Children:

i. Lydia, born ca 1866 in Pennsylvania. Living in 1910 unmarried. [Census, Crawford County, Pennsylvania.] No further record.
ii. Joseph Sanderson, born December 25, 1869 in Meadville. Unmarried.
655. iii. George Warren, born June 28, 1872.
656. iv. Mary, born March 1874.

430. (Elwood[7], Hezekiah[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Elwood Viets, son of Hezekiah and Jane (Burnham) Viets, was born in Michigan ca 1848; married in 1872 Jennie Cantner, born January 20, 185? in Champaign, Illinois, daughter of _____ and Mary Jane (Busey) Cantner. She died October 17, 1929. Mr. Viets died July 20, 1909. Children:

i. Beatrice, born December 21, 1875 in Moberly, Missouri; married in 1895 Joseph A. Paulette. She died November 21, 1926 during a tropical storm in Homestead, Florida. No children.
ii. Ethel Muriel, born August 23, 1878 in Moberly; married March 17, 1913 Albert Waller White, born June 29, 1882 in Rockdale, Texas. Resided in Alliance, Nebraska, in 1956. No children.
iii. Melnotte Elwood, born December 12, 1879 in Moberly; married December 18, 1907 Catherine Livingston, born October 24, 1886 in Galveston, Texas. Mr. Viets died in Galveston June 22, 1939. He was in the employ of the Santa Fe Railroad. No children.
iv. Alva Clara, born May 12, 1890 in Pine Bluff, Arkansas; married February 5, 1917 Ben Clayton Anderson, born October 20, 1885 in Iowa Falls, Iowa. He died February 13, 1951. Resided in Bridgeport, Nebraska.

431. (Arthur J.[7], Hezekiah[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Arthur J. Viets, son of Hezekiah and Jane (Burnham) Viets, was born in 1852 in Deerfield, Michigan; married December 24, 1872[?] Mary Cary, born March 2, 1854 in Deerfield, daughter of _____ and Patricia Ann (Gordon) Cary. Mr. Viets died in 1876. His widow married a Mr. Buck. She died January 6, 1940. Children, born in Petersburg, Michigan:

657. i. Adelbert M., born October 4, 1872.
658. ii. May, born May 7, 187?

432. (Malinda Esther[7], Benjamin[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Malinda Esther Viets, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Quelch) Viets, was born July 26, 1848 in Whiteford Township, Monroe County, Michigan; married March 30, 1867 Horace Burbank Sawyer, born March 20, 1841 and died in late 1909. His wife died March 24, 1907. They lived in Michigan, and later at Geuda Springs and Arkansas City, Kansas, where both are buried. Children:

i. Clara Alvira Sawyer, born March 28, 1868 probably in Michigan. She married December 24, 1890 Edward G. Endicott who resided in Cushing, Oklahoma, in 1950. They observed their golden wedding anniversary in 1940 in Arkansas City, Kansas. Mrs. Endicott died about 1942 or 1943. Six children (Endicott).

ii. Reuben Horace Sawyer, born September 14, 1869 in Michigan; moved to Kansas in 1885; married July 16, 1913 Ann Brown and moved to Ceres, California. No children.

iii. Lydia Margaret Sawyer, born February 18, 1871 in Warren, Ohio; married in April 1889 (?) William Emrick, born in Pennsylvania, son of George and Margaret Emrick. He died in January 1930; his widow died in July 1937. Both are buried in Kaw City, Oklahoma. Four children (Emrick).

iv. Minnie Mae Sawyer, born May 2, 1872; died in childhood.

v. Grace Hannah Sawyer, born January 30, 1874; married James Parkinson who died August 1950. Seven children (Parkinson).

vi. Wesley Benjamin Sawyer, born July 28, 1875 in Whiteford Center, Michigan; married at Geuda Springs, Kansas, on December 16, 1908 Ola B. Bragg, born November 28, 1890 in Effingham, Illinois, daughter of John Hudson and Mary (Deming) Bragg. Mr. Sawyer died March 10, 1925 in Rossville, Kansas. His widow married in Topeka, Kansas, on January 17, 1929 Bert Welch.

vii. Deucie M. Sawyer, born December 26, 1877; married George Holter who died in Kansas in October 1949. Four children (Holter).

viii. Ira Leroy Sawyer, born May 7, 1880; married Icle _____. He died in 1924 and was buried in Arkansas City, Kansas. No children.

ix. Sherman Sheridan Sawyer, born November 17, 1883 probably in Michigan; married February 14, 1912 Elsia Bertrand, born in Kansas September 2, 1898, daughter of George and Barbara (Monroe) Bertrand. One child (Sawyer).

433. (Matilda[7], Benjamin[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Matilda Viets, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Quelch) Viets, was born September 20, 1851; married in 1867 Spencer Young, born May 15, 1844 in Sylvania, Ohio, and died August 12, 1893. His widow died in 1919. Children:

i. Ralph Young, born March 23, 1868 in Ohio or Michigan; married Lucy Skeldon. Two children (Young).

ii. Samuel B. Young, born June 14, 1870 in Ohio or Michigan; married

Kate Mahanna. Mrs. Young died May 18, 1899. Three children (Young).

iii. Clifford N. Young, born December 25, 1876 in Ohio or Michigan. He married Stella Barly and had children.

iv. Olive M. Young, born August 14, 1881 in Auburndale, Ohio; married March 15, 1902 in Toledo, Ohio, James Marshall, born in Ada, Ohio, October 8, 1879. Resided in Spokane, Washington. No children.

v. Jennie J. Young, born December 28, 1885 in Toledo. She married William H. Shaw (?) Two children (Shaw).

vi. James Young, died in childhood.

vii. George Young, died in infancy.

434. (Wesley$^{7}$, Benjamin$^{6}$, Harvey$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Wesley Viets, son of Benjamin and Sarah (Quelch) Viets, was born January 19, 1853; married Ella Chandler, daughter of William and Sarah Chandler. After Wesley's death she married December 4, 1903 William H. Simpson. No children.

435. (Nehemiah$^{7}$, Benjamin$^{6}$, Harvey$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Nehemiah (Namire) Viets, son of Benjamin and Sarah (Quelch) Viets, was born January 13, 1855; married Uvira Chandler, born October 1853 in Ohio, daughter of William and Sarah Chandler. Mr. Viets died in Dundee, Michigan, June 28, 1938. Mrs. Viets died in 1934. Children, adopted:

i. Lela, married _____ Hedon.

ii. Lila.

436. (Jason$^{7}$, Benjamin$^{6}$, Harvey$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Jason Viets, son of Benjamin and Sarah (Quelch) Viets, was born March 3, 1858 in Whiteford, Monroe County, Michigan. He married December 14, 1881 Barbara Hadley, born in Whiteford, Michigan, December 13, 1860, daughter of David Temple and Julia Leuceba (Noakes) Hadley of New York and Vermont respectively. Mr. Viets died November 8, 1902 in Michigan. His widow married Truman Viets. [See No. 440.] Children, born in Whiteford:

659. i. Blanche Ina, born May 30, 1883.

660. ii. Floyd Jason, born December 19, 1884.

437. (Marvin$^{7}$, Benjamin$^{6}$, Harvey$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Marvin Viets, son of Benjamin and Sarah (Quelch) Viets, was born May 5, 1860 in Monroe County, Michigan; married February 16, 1888 Jennie A. Hadley, born August 18, 1865 in Whiteford, daughter of Marquis and Atlanta (Noakes) Hadley. She died September 12, 1918; Mr. Viets died January 20, 1928. Children:

661. i. Elsie, born August 12, 1889.

662. ii. Clara, born June 5, 1891.

438. (Fidelia[7], Benjamin[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Fidelia "Delia" Viets, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Quelch) Viets, was born December 9, 186?; married December 25, 1879 Charles Goodwin Waffle, born December 16, 1857 in Lambertville, Michigan, son of Christian and Huldah Ann (Williams) Waffle. He died September 21, 1910; his widow died November 16, 1929. Children, born in Whiteford, Michigan:

i. Ida May Waffle, born June 26, 1881; married March 23, 1904 George William May, born January 4, 1884 in Bedford, Michigan, son of Oscar J. and Lillie (Aysh) May. Three children (May).
ii. Warren Waffle, born June 21, 1883; married Florence Welker. Two children (Waffle).
iii. Helen Waffle, born September 28, 1896; married February 25, 1919 Frank Reger, born January 6, 1890 in Sylvania, Ohio; she married second, October 18, 1926 George Bleim, born August 12, 1900 in Toledo, son of Michael and Cecelia (Cox) Bleim. Resided in Toledo. One child (Reger). Two children (Bleim).
iv. Grace Waffle, born February 28, 1905; married August 30, 1929 Harold A. Moore, born February 12, 1902 in Blissfield, Michigan, son of Anthony and Amelia (Brieschke) Moore. Resided in Adrian, Michigan. One son (Moore).

439. (Clara J.[7], Benjamin[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Clara J. "Dolly" Viets, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Quelch) Viets, was born September 7, 1864; married March 3, 1881 Levi Ward, born August 11, 1852 in Whiteford, Michigan, son of Collins and Helen or Laura (Thomas) Ward. She married second, April 19, 1924 Joseph E. Seroy. Mrs. Seroy died in Oregon in 1950. Children:

i. Mabel G. Ward, born March 1, 1883 in Whiteford; married July 17, 1914 Oliver F. Baer, born in Fulton County, Ohio, son of Wesley and Henrietta (Berriman) Baer. Resided in Milwaukee, Oregon. One son (Baer).
ii. Helen Lydia Ward, born July 4, 1885 in Mitehaw, Ohio; married June 21, 1906 Albert J. Bacon, born in Wisconsin, son of Charles Sumner and Addie (Gobel) Bacon. He died in January 1922. She married second October 22, 1923 Eugene L. Garrison. One daughter (Bacon).
iii. Sarah L. Ward, born October 24, 1887 in Whiteford; married November 1911 Thomas H. Spooner. Resided in Seattle, Washington. Two children (Spooner).
iv. R. A. Ward, born February 2, 1894 in Temperance, Michigan. Died in childhood.

440. (Truman Theodore[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Truman Theodore, son of John and Mary Ann (Phelps) Viets, was born March 11, 1848 in Monroe County, Michigan. He married first, October 27, 1870 in Dresden, Pettis County, Missouri, Catherine Maria Smith, daughter of Elijah Harrison and Eliza Jane (Williams) Smith. She was born January 9, 1851 in Woodsfield, Monroe County, Ohio, and died September 4, 1903 in Hughesville, Pettis County, Missouri. Truman married second, Barbara (Hadley) Viets, widow of his cousin, Jason Viets. [See No. 436.] The family lived for a time in Pettis County, Missouri, where Mr. Viets served as county treasurer. He also had business interests in Arkansas and was a banker in Hughesville and Hazen, Arkansas. He died June 2, 1941 in Kansas City, Missouri. Mrs. Viets died there June 27, 1952. Children:

663. i. Cedora Emily, born October 28, 1871.
664. ii. Edna Alvareta, born November 12, 1882.
665. iii. Ralph Stuart, born May 30, 1885.

441. (Clinton Henry[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Clinton Henry Viets, son of John and Mary Ann (Phelps) Viets, was born March 13, 1850 in Monroe County, Michigan; married in Toledo, Ohio, November 17, 1875 Adeline Dupreis LaMotte, born November 21, 1856 in St. Louis, Missouri, daughter of Louis and Octavia (Dupreis) LaMotte. Mr. Viets was a farmer; he and his wife lived on their farm near Lawrence, Kansas, for nearly 57 years. They observed their 60th wedding anniversary in 1935. Mrs. Viets died March 10, 1938 and Mr. Viets died September 25, 1939. Children, born in Jefferson County, Kansas:

i. Nellie Bell, born November 11, 1876; died May 14, 1937 unmarried. She was injured in a childhood accident which resulted in a permanent deformity of her spine. She was a fine musician and a piano teacher.
666. ii. Cora Mae, born August 1, 1878.
667. iii. Leroy Rollin, born November 24, 1880.
iv. Neal Dow, born January 6, 1882; married September 30, 1939 Mrs. Laura McDaniel. They later separated and Neal died September 21, 1962 in Jasper County, Missouri.
668. v. Gertrude, born February 16, 1885.
669. vi. Mabel Claire, born July 30, 1887.
670. vii. Elva, born July 28, 1889.
671. viii. Leslie Clinton, born December 25, 1890.
ix. Son, born 1892; buried July 28, 1892.

442. (Elva Louisa[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Elva Louisa Viets, daughter of John and Mary Ann (Phelps) Viets, was born December 19, 1851 in Monroe County, Michigan; married January 1, 1871 in Stanwood, Kansas, Samuel Boyd Lawrence, born April 19, 1849 in Gibson County,

Indiana, son of Adam McConnell and Nancy Jane (McCelland) Lawrence. He died in Lawrence, Kansas, January 3, 1919; his widow died April 4, 1941. Children:

i. John Lawrence, born about 1873; died in infancy.
ii. Solomon Lee Lawrence, born March 28, 1876 in Leavenworth County, Kansas. He died December 1, 1950 in Lawrence, Kansas. No children.
iii. Ralph Loring Lawrence, born July 17, 1877 in Tonganoxie, Kansas; married June 6, 1909 Estelle Violet Butler, born February 10, 1887 in Oskaloosa, Kansas, daughter of Robert Cothrin and Sarah Jane (Wilson) Butler. Three children (Lawrence).
iv. James Ernest Lawrence, born April 27, 1879 in Tonganoxie, Kansas; married May 31, 1905 Mary Sarah Lillian Donahue, daughter of Peter and Lovina Belle (Burns) Donahue. Mr. Lawrence died April 12, 1915, his widow November 1, 1918. Two children (Lawrence).
v. Roscoe Lawrence, born March 20, 1881 in Tonganoxie; died November 2, 1883.
vi. Floyd Livingston Lawrence, born May 29, 1884 in Tonganoxie; married first, March 3, 1909 Minnie Hirsch; married second, on April 19, 1930 Mildred (Carrier) Reeves. He adopted Gertrude Reeves, the daughter of his second wife.
vii. Dennis Lawrence, born November 4, 1885 in Tonganoxie. He died in Lawrence, Kansas, February 8, 1958. Unmarried. He took care of his widowed mother and the two orphaned children of his brother James Ernest.

**443. (Inez Alvaretta$^{7}$, John$^{6}$, Harvey$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Inez Alvaretta Viets, daughter of John and Mary Ann (Phelps) Viets, was born January 4, 1853 in Monroe County, Michigan. She married first, September 1, 1870 Almas Vinton Stafford from whom she was divorced. She married second, on August 18, 1886 Samuel Porter French, and third, on July 16, 1917 J. D. Ward. Mrs. Ward died in Lawrence, Kansas, February 11, 1920. Child:

i. Eva R. Stafford, born about 1872; died December 29, 1874.

**444. (Harvey Joseph$^{7}$, John$^{6}$, Harvey$^{5}$, Hezekiah P.$^{4}$, John$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Harvey Joseph Viets, son of John and Mary Ann (Phelps) Viets, was born December 14, 1855 in Monroe County, Michigan; married November 1, 1876 in Leavenworth County, Kansas, Evaline McKay, daughter of George and Nancy Blackburn (Milner) McKay. Mr. Viets died October 28, 1881. His widow married David Butcher. Child:

672. i. John Alfred "Fred" Viets, born February 1878.

445. (Frank Elvaro[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Frank Elvaro Viets, son of John and Mary Ann (Phelps) Viets, was born in Monroe County, Michigan, April 29, 1857; married in McLouth, Kansas, April 29, 1878 Emma Bell McKay, born in Leavenworth County, Kansas, daughter of George and Nancy Blackburn (Milner) McKay. Mrs. Viets died November 16, 1949 in Avondale, Clay County, Missouri. Mr. Viets died March 5, 1942 in Kansas City, Missouri. Children, born in Leavenworth County, Kansas:

673. i. Estella Inez "Stella," born August 9, 1884.
674. ii. Ivan Dean, born December 10, 1886.
iii. Walter Clyde, born March 23, 1888. He served in World War I. He died in a fire May 25, 1966 in Chicago. Unmarried.
675. iv. Ruth Zola, born October 27, 1894.

Reference for Nos. 441-445: Schell, A Viets Genealogy.

446. (Earl[7], Harrison[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Earl Viets, son of Harrison and Esther Mariette (Burnham) Viets, was born May 19, 1854 in Michigan. He married Katherine Kelly, born January 1858 in Ohio and the family lived in Chicago. Mr. Viets died in 1914. Child:

i. Mamie, born February 1882 in Ohio; married Thomas Leonard. They had two daughters and one son (Leonard). The family resided in Chicago.

447. (Edgar Scott[7], Harrison[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Edgar Scott Viets, son of Harrison and Esther Mariette (Burnham) Viets, was born March 8, 1856 in Deerfield, Michigan; married September 12, 1878 in Dundee, Michigan, Johanna Malchus, born June 19, 1862 in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, daughter of John and Johanna (Sanger) Malchus. Mr. Viets was employed by the Cleveland Ohio Street Railway Company for 50 years--driving the horsecars as a motorman and as a carpenter in the shops. He resided in Cleveland where he died July 8, 1944. Mrs. Viets died December 16, 1928 in Cleveland. Children:

676. i. Elsie Bertha, born July 20, 1879.
677. ii. Ada Belle, born September 8, 1881.
678. iii. Edgar John, born October 28, 1883.
679. iv. Harry Leonard, born April 6, 1890.

448. (Flora A.[7], George W.[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Flora A. Viets, daughter of George W. and Katherine (Moody) Viets, was born October 9, 1872 in Leavenworth County, Kansas. She married Alexander C. McFarlane, born November 4, 1873 (twin) in Salt Lake City, Utah, son of Alexander "Sandy" and Elizabeth (Williams) McFarlane. [Ancestral Computer

file, Family History Library, Salt Lake City, Utah.] He died in Nyssa, Oregon, February 25, 1949. His widow died in Ontario, Oregon, August 8, 1951. [Data from Jo Ann Moore, Boise, Idaho, a descendant.] Children, born in Salt Lake City, Utah:

i. Russell McFarlane, born September 10, 1906; married Mary _____.
ii. Frances McFarlane, born August 29, 1913; married May 12, 1934 John T. Ray.

449. (Jennie[7], George W.[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Jennie Viets, daughter of George W. and Katherine (Moody) Viets, was born May 25, 1879 in Leavenworth County, Kansas. She married Jack Kelly. Mrs. Kelly resided in Hillyard, Spokane County, Washington, in 1923. [Data from Jo Ann Moore, Boise, Idaho.] Children:

i. Morris Kelly, born October 22, 1903; married Loretta _____.
ii. Harvey Kelly, born October 4, 1908 in Mill Creek, Utah; married Lenore _____.

450. (Emily[7], Oliver H. P.[6], Chauncey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Emily Viets, daughter of Oliver Hazard Perry and Mary (Smith) Viets, was born in Marshall, Michigan, November 10, 1851; married in Albion, Calhoun County, Michigan, February 13, 1873 Peter Emery Ott, born in Pennsylvania, March 19, 1848, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ott. Emily Ott died May 10, 1917 in Sheridan Township, Calhoun County, Michigan, and her husband died June 10, 1922. They resided in Parma, Jackson County, Michigan. Children, born in Sheridan Township, Calhoun County, Michigan:

i. Truman Ott, born December 5, 1873; married January 13, 1897 Mertice M. Buchanan, born September 8, 1878 in Marshall, daughter of Royal and Elizabeth (Lanham) Buchanan. She was reared by Mr. and Mrs. David Adams and generally went by the Adams name although never adopted. She died April 3, 1939. Mr. Ott died July 5, 1950 when his tractor overturned on him. Three children (Ott). [Census, Calhoun County, Michigan, 1880, 1910.]
ii. Lena May Ott, born February 1875. She was listed as Lena M. in the 1880 census for Calhoun County, Michigan, and as May in the 1900 census.
iii. Raymond Ott, born March 1884; married 15 November 1905 Lena Zanger, daughter of Ferdinand and Lena (Steckle) Zanger. They resided in Marengo, Calhoun County, Michigan. [Marriage records, Calhoun County, Michigan, FHF#1009294.]

451. (Thomas Sherman[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John3, John[2], John[1])

Thomas Sherman Viets, son of Adam Clark and Mary (Margaret?) Viets, was born about 1857 in Columbia County, Pennsylvania. He married Sarah Jane Mack, born June 1859 in Bedford County, Pennsylvania. Mr. Viets died March 28, 1900 in

Roland, Pennsylvania, in an accident. [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#0955622.] The family lived in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. The widow later married William A. Bartlett. Children:

i. Benjamin F., born March 1881.
ii. George Clark, born September 25, 1883. [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#0955620.]
iii. Maggie M., born May 11, 1886; married February 27, 1904 at Central, Pennsylvania, Philip Steinnuck, born May 5, 1881 in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania. [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#0955823.] They resided in Jamison City, Pennsylvania.
iv. Clarence Edward, born October 17, 1888. [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, Delayed Births #1209, FHF#0955621.] He married Vivian _____, born ca 1894 in Pennsylvania. [1910 census, Wyoming County, Pennsylvania.]
v. Florina Y., born January 1891.
vi. Thomas C., born March 19, 1893; died April 18, 1893 Jackson, Township, Pennsylvania. [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania. FHF#0955622.]
vii. Hazel P., born March 1, 1894 Jackson Township. [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#0955616.]
viii. Corra D., born October 5, 1896 Jackson Township. [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#0955616.]
ix. Mary P., born May 1899.

452. (Cornelius Eugene[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Cornelius Eugene Viets, son of Adam Clark and Mary (Margaret?) Viets, was born November 1862 in Bloomsburg, Columbia County, Pennsylvania. He married in 1883 Anna Susan Welliver, born October 1857 in Jerseytown, Pennsylvania. Children:

i. Clyde Smith, born May 6, 1886 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania. FHF#0955617.]
ii. Creona M. (twin), born April 1892.
iii. Leona B. (twin), born April 1892.

453. (William B.[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

William B. Viets, son of Adam Clark and Mary (Margaret?) Viets, was born September 1872 in Pennsylvania. He married June 10, 1895 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#0955624] Ida E. Giger, born September 1875. Her will was probated April 28, 1951. [Columbia County, Pennsylvania, Probates, FHF#0954834.] Children, born in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania:

680. i. Carl Byron, born August 15, 1898.
681. ii. Guy W., born April 6, 1900.
iii. Mabel I., born July 4, 1905. Married William Ward. No children.

[Data on children from Jack Harold Viets, descendant, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania.]

454. (Mary W.[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary W. Viets, twin daughter of Adam Clark and Jane (Betz) Viets, was born April 5, 1883 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania; married Roy Girton about 1885. Children:

i. Monroe S. Girton, born December 13, 1902. [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#0955616.]
ii. Warren C. Girton, born 1908 in Bloomsburg. He married in 1929 Edith Hidlay. Mr. Girton was a theatre manager in Milton, Pennsylvania. He was ". . . .one of the prominent theatre executives in central Pennsylvania and an outstanding and public-spirited citizen of this community, serving both as an official and as a member of organizations to develop the prosperity of the city and county." [Godcharles, Chronicles of Central Pennsylvania.] One daughter (Girton).

455. (Frederick E.[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Frederick E. Viets, twin son of Adam Clark and Jane (Betz) Viets, was born April 5, 1883 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. He married first, in 1910 Hattie Tilbury, who died in 1915. He married second, Bessie _____ who died in 1958. Fred died October 10, 1982 at the age of ninety-nine in Orangeville, Pennsylvania. No children.

456. (Bertha M.[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Bertha M. Viets, daughter of Adam Clark and Jane (Betz) Viets, was born September 22, 1885 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. She married December 25, 1903 George A. Shaffer [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#0955823], born in Bloomsburg April 9, 1884, son of Simon Shaffer. The family resided in Bloomsburg. Children:

i. Clark W. Shaffer, born ca 1906.
ii. Harry Shaffer, born ca 1909.
iii. Earl Shaffer, born ca 1908.
iv. Hattie Shaffer.
v. Ethel Shaffer.
vi. Stewart Shaffer.
vii. Lamar Shaffer.
viii. Helen G. Shaffer.

457. (Ella Edith[7], Charles[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Ella Edith Viets, daughter of Charles and Ellen (Boyle) Viets, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, May 3, 1858. She married in 1881 at Malden, Massachusetts, Edward Drowne Williams of the firm, Starkweather and Williams, Providence, Rhode Island. He was a direct descendant of Roger Williams, founder of Providence. Child:

i. Edward Allen Williams, born January 16, 1884.

458. (Roger Griswold[7], Henry S.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Roger Griswold Viets, son of Henry Synnott and Hannah Isabelle (Woodman) Viets, was born January 20, 1865 in Digby, Nova Scotia; married February 14, 1894 Anna B. Woodis, born November 1868 in Oakham, Massachusetts, daughter of Henry A. and Sarah Ann (Haise) Woodis. They resided in Spencer, Massachusetts. Mrs. Viets died there in 1938 and Mr. Viets died in Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1949. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0954750 and 0954756.] Child:

682. i. Harriet S. I., born July 27, 1904.

459. (Harry Augustus[7], Henry S.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Harry Augustus Viets, son of Henry Synnott and Hannah Isabelle (Woodman) Viets, was born August 12, 1866 in Clementsport, Nova Scotia; married January 2, 1895 Minnie E. Foster, born November 13, 1873 in Clarence, Nova Scotia, daughter of Watson and Malentha (Douglas) Foster. Resided in Central Clarence, Nova Scotia. Children, born in Clarence:

683. i. Gladys Marguerite, born July 1, 1895.
ii. Henry Lawrence, born 1903; died 1924.

460. (John Knutton[7], Henry S.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

John Knutton Viets, son of Henry Synnott and Hannah Isabelle (Woodman) Viets, was born September 18, 1869 in Clementsport, Nova Scotia; married February 23, 1896 Minnie M. Magrath, born May 8, 1870 in Biddeford, Maine, daughter of Asa and Patience Shaw (Wilkenson) Magrath. They resided in Saco, Maine. Mrs. Viets died March 20, 1925. Mr. Viets died July 19, 1950. Children, born in Saco:

i. A child, born December 24, 1898; died April 1, 1900
684. ii. John Henry, born February 23, 1905.
iii. Jessie May, born March 19, 1909. She held the position of matron at the Wardwell home for elderly ladies. Her nephew, John Butler Viets, wrote, "She gave freely of her time and personal funds to aid in the comfort of the ladies living there." She retired about 1978 and still (1988) maintains a large apartment, does her own

shopping, and faithfully attends the School Street Methodist Church in Saco, Maine, where she lives. Unmarried.

461. (Mary Harriet[7], Henry S.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Harriet Viets, daughter of Henry Synnott and Hannah Isabelle (Woodman) Viets, was born June 19, 1872 in Clementsport, Nova Scotia. She married first, in 1909 in Malden [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0955102] _____ Otis; married second on January 15, 1920 John G. Cass, born in New York, son of John A. and Adelaide (Hester) Cass. Resided in Boston, Massachusetts. No children.

462. (Edward Augustus[7], Edward M.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Edward Augustus Viets, son of Edward Martyn and Mary (Shaw) Viets, was born August 5, 1867 in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. He married in Boston in 1892 [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0955090] Elizabeth M. _____, born February 1871 in Massachusetts. He was a Collector of Customs at Digby, Nova Scotia, before moving to Massachusetts. Mr. Viets died August 7, 1916. Children:

685. i. Edward M., born June 1899.
ii. Hester Livermore, born 1902 in Brookline. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0955180.] She died there in 1905.
iii. Madeline Patrinae, born 1904 in Boston. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF# 0955180.] She married _____Mesery and resided in Milbury, Massachusetts.

463. (Arthur[7], Edward M.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Arthur Viets, son of Edward Martyn and Mary (Shaw) Viets, was born September 22, 1869. He was married but left no descendants. He was a dentist in New York; died August 30, 1934. This information came from a family birthday book owned by Arthur's stepmother, Annie (Moody) Viets of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

464. (Guy Roberts[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Guy Roberts Viets, son of John Moore and Jane Snow (Roberts) Viets, was born in Liverpool, Nova Scotia, June 29, 1871. He married June 10, 1902 Jennie Fair Jardine, born in Campbellton, New Brunswick, September 27, 1875, daughter of John and Catherine (McNair) Jardine. He was a manager of a branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia, in Harbor Grace, Newfoundland. Upon retirement he lived in Port Hope, Ontario, Canada, dying there February 22, 1946, with burial in Digby, Nova Scotia. Mrs. Viets died in 1951. Child:

686. i. Catherine Douglas, born August 7, 1904.

465. (Harry Augustus[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Harry Augustus Viets, son of John Moore and Jane Snow (Roberts) Viets, was born in Liverpool, Nova Scotia, November 17, 1873. He married September 15, 1905 Kathleen Ora Johnston, born in Brooklyn, New York, October 4, 1883, daughter of William Hawthorne and Katherine Mills (Bostwick) Johnston. Harry A. Viets came to the U.S. from Canada in 1894 landing in Boston, Massachusetts. He became a citizen of the U.S. in 1912. He was a mechanical engineer and tool designer. They resided in Springfield, Massachusetts, where he died May 24, 1944. Child:

687. i. William Douglas, born October 7, 1921.

466. (Alexander Griswold[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Alexander Griswold Viets, son of John Moore and Jane Snow (Roberts) Viets, was born in Digby, Nova Scotia, April 25, 1878. He married April 25, 1917 in Ottawa, Canada, Mary Elizabeth Moody, born in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, October 8, 1877, daughter of Thomas C. and Anne (Moody) Moody. Alexander Griswold Viets was a World War I veteran in the original Princess Pat's regiment and lost his eyesight in the Battle of Ypres, May 1, 1915. On arriving in England a few days after, he spent a couple of months in a London hospital and then entered St. Dunstan's Hostel for blinded soldiers and sailors for six months. In 1916 he returned to Digby and after a few months moved to Toronto where he was an insurance agent. He died in Toronto April 21, 1949. No children.

Obituary, Montreal Gazette, April 22, 1949

First Blinded Veteran Dies at Toronto Home

Alexander G. Viets, a founder of the Canadian Institute for the Blind and the first Canadian soldier to be blinded in the First World War, died at his home here.

Mr. Viets was a signatory to the charter granted the institute and a vice-president of the organization. He was for many years employed by the Imperial Life Insurance Company.

Born at Digby, N.S., he lived for some time in Calgary. He served in the South African War and enlisted in 1914 with the Princess Patricia Light Infantry. He was wounded at Ypres in 1915.

467. (Robert Botsford[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert Botsford Viets, son of John Moore and Jane Snow (Roberts) Viets, was born in Digby, Nova Scotia, January 29, 1880. He married in Ottawa, Canada, September 25, 1920 Helena Campbell Hughson, born in Albany, New York, May 21, 1886, daughter of Ward Campbell and Aurelia (McBean) Hughson (V.E.L. of

Glengarry, Ontario). Mr. Viets died July 15, 1952 in Ottawa; Mrs. Viets died there June 5, 1980.

Robert Viets wrote to H. Isabel Viets:

> I was born in Digby, educated at the local school, at King's Collegiate School, Windsor, Nova Scotia, and took a law course (not the full course) at Dalhousie University, Halifax, being admitted to the Nova Scotia Bar in 1901. A couple of years later I came to Ottawa and served as private secretary to two Ministers of Finance, enlisting in May 1916 in the 207th Bn., C.E.F., going overseas as Captain in that unit in 1917. The 207th was immediately broken up, as were most of the reinforcing units at that time, and after a period in England I went to France and joined the 38th Bn., C.E.F. as Lieutenant. At that time all Captains had to revert if they wanted to get to France.
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> I did ordinary trench service, then was in the Paschaendale show (a rotten sort of business), invalided to England in November, returned in February 1918 and after a lot of messing around in the trenches and behind the line got into the Amiens Show and was wounded August 10, 1918, invalided to England and in October my Minister sent for me so I came back here [Ottawa], got married in 1920 and as Winston Churchill says, "lived happily ever after." I had a breakdown in 1935 and retired from the Civil Service. I blame the final blow on a business trip to Washington in August when it was 100 or so in the shade--but I guess it was coming to me anyhow. At the time I was Solicitor to the Treasury in the Department of Finance of Canada.

Children, born in Ottawa, Canada:

688. i. John Campbell "Peter," born September 11, 1921.
689. ii. Roger Digby, born November 27, 1923.
690. iii. Elizabeth Jayne, born January 5, 1929.

468. (Sara Eliza Kathleen$^{7}$, John M.$^{6}$, Botsford$^{5}$, Roger M.$^{4}$, Roger$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)

Sarah Eliza Kathleen Viets, daughter of John Moore and Jane Snow (Roberts) Viets, was born in Digby, Nova Scotia, May 14, 1885. She married Wilfred Eddy Tupper of Digby, June 24, 1908. He was a veteran of World War I, and in 1937 was marine inspector for the Canadian government. They resided in Digby. Children:

i. Gerald Eddy Humphrey Tupper, born April 2, 1909. He was in the Royal Canadian Artillery, serving overseas in World War II.
ii. Marjorie Maud Tupper, born May 21, 1913 was a registered nurse at the Montreal General Hospital, a nursing sister with Royal Canadian Air Force in World War II, and in 1945 was a district nurse in the service of the Provincial (Nova Scotia) Health Department.

469. (Carolyn Winifred[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Carolyn Winifred Viets, daughter of John Moore and Jane Snow (Roberts) Viets, was born in Digby, Nova Scotia, July 31, 1888. She married January 31, 1924 Harry W. Corbitt, born in Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia, February 21, 1888. Mr. Corbitt was in the Canadian Expeditionary Force in World War I. Mrs. Corbitt had the title N.S.C.A.M.C. (Nursing Sister Canadian Army Medical Corps). She saw service in England, France, and Saloniki, receiving the R.R.C. They resided in British Columbia where Mr. Corbitt was a fruit grower. Children, born in Kaleden, British Columbia:

i. Charlotte Winifred Corbitt, born June 8, 1926.
ii. Margaret Jane Corbitt, born July 12, 1931.

470. (Eugene Fayette[7], Fayette[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Eugene Fayette Viets, son of Fayette and Ann Philura (Davis) Viets, was born February 1865 in Pawlet, Vermont; married in 1889 Anna L. Towslee, born May 1868 in New Hampshire. They resided in Manchester Depot, Vermont. In the 1900 census for Bennington County, Vermont, Eugene F. Viets, wife Anna L, and two sons, Arthur H. and Harry A., are listed living at Peru. Mrs. Viets died in November 1943 in Abington, Massachusetts. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0954753.] Mr. Viets died in July or August of 1931 in Gardiner or West Gardiner, Maine. [Information on this family was given by Mr. Viets' granddaughter, Florence Alson (Viets) Garrahan, Providence, Rhode Island.] Children:

691. i. Arthur Henry Albert, born May 1892.
692. ii. Harry Alson, born May 25, 1895.
iii. Charles Fayette, born ca 1889; died January 16, 1899.
iv. Lawrence, born in 1903 in Vermont. He was married for a short time and then divorced. He died in Maine in the 1950s. No children.

471. (Ida May[7], Fayette[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Ida May Viets, daughter of Fayette and Ann Philura (Davis) Viets, was born April 18, 1869 in Pawlet, Vermont. She married December 10, 1890 David Eugene Smith, born August 20, 1859 in Pawlet, Vermont, son of David Rogers and Mary (Baldridge) Smith. Mrs. Smith died in Pawlet April 5, 1914. Her husband died there January 5, 1916. Children, born in Pawlet:

i. Winifred Erma Smith, born October 25, 1894; married October 1, 1921 Nahum Sumner Cutler, born April 30, 1893 in Greenfield, Massachusetts, son of Henry Hoyt and Lizzie May (Perkins) Cutler. They resided in Manchester, Connecticut. One son (Cutler).
ii. Stanley Kenneth Smith, born February 6, 1900; married September 14, 1929 Leah Gertrude Walker, born December 7, 1895 in

Brownfield, Maine, daughter of Mallory William and Viola Mae (Swan) Walker. They resided in Greenfield, Massachusetts. One son (Smith).

472. (Harry Slade[7], Martin H.[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Harry Slade Viets, son of Martin Henry and Elsie (Slade) Viets, was born August 3, 1878 in Eagle Bridge, Rensselaer County, New York. He married October 7, 1914 Frances Cheney Jones, born April 29, 1887 in Hoosick Falls, New York, daughter of Melvin R. and Anna (Free) Jones. Mr. Viets was owner of the Viets Press in Eagle Bridge. He died in his home February 18, 1940. Children:

693. i. Harry Slade Jr., born April 9, 1917.
694. ii. Carlton Jones, born October 18, 1919.
695. iii. Carolyn Grace, born June 2, 1925.

473. (Maria Alice[7], Byron M.[6], Rev. Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Maria Alice "Minnie" Viets, daughter of Byron Mortimer and Abigail (Harvey) Viets, was born November 22, 1859; married December 23, 1877 Hubert F. Piper of Cherry Valley, Ohio. She died November 7, 1878.

474. (Ida Parthenia[7], Byron M.[6], Rev. Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Ida Parthenia Viets, daughter of Byron Mortimer and Abigail (Harvey) Viets, was born October 16, 1865; married Frank Miller, Montville, Ohio. She died August 28, 1893.

475. (Harry Earl[7], Byron M.[6], Rev. Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Harry Earl Viets, son of Byron Mortimer and Abigail (Harvey) Viets, was born July 4, 1873 in Ohio. He married July 12, 1902 Elgen Ostrander, born September 4, 1883 in Kirtland, Ohio, daughter of Elmer E. and Carrie B. (Markel) Ostrander. They separated and Mrs. Viets married December 24, 1912 Charles L. Smith. Harry Viets died in Chardon, Ohio, in the summer of 1942. Child:

696. i. Ouida, born February 24, 1903.

476. (Effie Gertrude[7], Byron M.[6], Rev. Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Effie Gertrude Viets, daughter of Byron Mortimer and Abigail (Harvey) Viets, was born February 20, 1875 in Ohio. She died in Chardon, Ohio, November 29, 1942. Child:

i. Aura Hortense Viets, born March 14, 1898 in Montville [VR, Geauga County, Ohio]; married July 3, 1917 Alden N. Davis, born in Huntsburg, Ohio, January 4, 1895, son of Bela and Alma (Easterbrook) Davis. Mr. Davis died in 1953. Mrs. Davis married

second, June 26 1954 Albert S. Michener, born in 1903. Mr. Michener served in the U. S. Army in World War II. He died in 1976. [Tombstone inscription, Montville, Ohio, Cemetery.] Mrs. Davis was a teacher. She died January 6, 1972 in Eustis, Florida, and was buried in the Montville Cemetery. [Obituary, Painesville (Ohio) Telegraph, January 10, 1972.]

477. (Lee Clark[7], Byron M.[6], Rev. Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Lee Clark Viets, son of Byron Mortimer and Abigail (Harvey) Viets, was born August 10, 1883 in Saybrook, Ohio. Said to have married twice; no children of his own. He married March 26, 1914 Georgia Morehouse, born in Mentor, Lake County, Ohio, July 18, 1886, daughter of Alfred and Eva (Carver) Armstrong. Lee C. Viets was buried in South Cemetery in Orwell Township, Ashtabula County, Ohio, in 1938. A Carrie C. Viets (born 1886, died 1938) is also buried there. [Ashtabula County Cemetery Inscriptions.]

478. (Gertrude Dow[7], Frank J.[6], Rev. Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Gertrude Dow Viets, daughter of Colonel Frank Jesse and Nancy L. (Dow) Viets, was born March 5, 1866 in Saybrook, Ohio. She married May 11, 1887 Moses Starr Titus Jr., born in Shakopee, Minnesota, October 22, 1858, son of Moses S. and Jane (Lamont) Titus. Mr. Titus was a pioneer resident of Walsh County, North Dakota. He came to Grand Forks in the early 80s and was for a time associated with his brother in the original First National Bank. In 1885 he moved to Minto, where he and associates took over the Bank of Forest River, which has since been operated continuously as the Bank of Minto. He died in Minto, North Dakota, February 19, 1939. Children:

i. Anne Gertrude Titus, born July 24, 1888 in Ashtabula; married January 10, 1911 Melville C. Bacheller, born January 10, 1877 in Houlton, Maine, a son of George E. and Sarah A. (Getchell) Bacheller. Mrs. Bacheller and her sister were educated in a private school for girls. They resided in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Four children (Bacheller).

ii. Frances Eva Titus, born October 6, 1891 in Minto, North Dakota; married November 21, 1914 William J. Plunkett, born in Deerfield, Michigan, in 1884, son of Edward H. and Julia (Kelly) Plunkett. She married second Edward Farnsworth. They resided in San Diego, California. One son (Plunkett).

479. (Willis Burton[7], Rollin B.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Willis Burton Viets, son of Rollin Burton and Lucy (Thayer) Viets, born December 1861 and resided at one time in Sharpsville, Pennsylvania. In 1900 he was a chemist in charge of a blast furnace in Parryville, Pennsylvania. He was married to Cleora E. _____, born March 1861 in Illinois. [1900 census, Carbon County, Pennsylvania.] She died in February 1936; he died in 1929. [Ashtabula County, Ohio, Cemetery Inscriptions.] He was a member of GAR. No children.

480. (Rollin Sackett[7], Philander D.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Rollin Sackett Viets (in all probability named for the brother of Dolly Sackett), son of Philander Dan and Eliza (Kellogg) Viets, was born February 2, 1860 in Evansville, Indiana. He married October 13, 1880 Clara Lucinda Dyson, born February 2, 1861 in Henderson, Kentucky, daughter of Bennett and Lucinda (Carlin) Dyson. Mr. Viets died September 8, 1935; his widow died June 10, 1937. Mr. Viets was at the head of the Indiana Egg Case Company of Evansville.

From the pen of his daughter, Edith (Viets) Schor:

I wish you all might have known my Dad--so tender and kind. He was a real gentleman and a credit to the Viets' name.

Children:

697. i. William Andrew, born July 10, 1882.
698. ii. Edith, born July 29, 1886.

481. (Charles Fellows[7], Philander D.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Fellows Viets, son of Philander Dan and Eliza (Kellogg) Viets, was born October 23, 1865 in Evansville, Indiana (?). He married February 29, 1888 Bernadena Lohoff who died November 14, 1928. Mr. Viets was a member of the Evansville police force. He died about 1905. Children:

i. Son, died in infancy.
699. ii. Vivian, born January 10, 1890.
iii. Maude, died in infancy.
iv. Clyde, born May 30, 1899, died in infancy.

482. (Orlantha[7], Philander D.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Orlantha Viets, daughter of Philander Dan and Eliza (Kellogg) Viets, was born December 8, 1867. She married in 1887 John William Irons. Mrs. Irons died October 16, 1898. Mr. Irons died about 1932. Child:

i. Fielding Irons, born September 9, 1888 in Evansville, Indiana; married June 29, 1911 Emma Barkman, born October 2, 1888 in Evansville, daughter of William and Charlotte Barkman. They resided in Los Angeles. One daughter (Irons).

483. (Laura[7], Philander D.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Laura Viets, daughter of Philander Dan and Eliza (Kellogg) Viets, was born January 1, 1872. She married in 1890 Charles V. Meyer. Mrs. Meyer lived in Venice, California. Child:

i. Ethel Guyneth Meyer, "a bright, beautiful, and talented child, who lived to the age of nine, dying in December 1899. She possessed remarkable histrionic talent and was a wonder for her age."--FHV.

484. (Eliza G.[7], Philander D.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Eliza G. "Lida" Viets, daughter of Philander Dan and Eliza (Kellogg) Viets, was born October 6, 1873. She married in 1895 Theodore M. Geupel who was an officer on a government vessel in the Philippines. She married second, Bart F. Holderman who died in 1936. Mrs. Holderman died January 2, 1928. No children.

485. (Bertha Estella[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Bertha Estella Viets, daughter of Elliot Winfield and Elvira (Simpson) Viets, was born November 5, 1877 in Wolf Prairie, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin. She married January 8, 1901 in Colfax, Wisconsin, Charles Austin Paul, born March 17, 1867 in Sun Prairie, Wisconsin, son of John and Mary (Jones) Paul. They lived at the Hotel Royal and helped run it. Mr. Paul died in 1940. Mrs. Paul resided in Colfax, Wisconsin. Children, born in Colfax:

i. Lyman Viets Paul, born February 14, 1902; married November 9, 1927 Lenore Una Bartleson, born August 19, 1906 in Colfax, daughter of Andrew and Jeanette Sophie (Holt) Bartleson. Resided in South Saint Paul, Minnesota. Mr. Paul was killed in a hunting accident in November 1961 in Wisconsin. Two children (Paul).
ii. Cora Lucile Paul, born August 20, 1904; died April 1905.
iii. John Curtis Paul, born February 13, 1906; married December 1, 1929 in Minneapolis Zelpha Ruth Miller, born August 21, 1911 in Mason City, Iowa, daughter of Herbert George and Mable (Clark) Miller. They resided in Minneapolis, Minnesota.
iv. Vida Paul, born October 26, 1908; died November 18, 1908.
v. Charles Henry Paul, born August 31, 1912; died in November or December 1977 in an auto accident in Kansas City, Missouri.
vi. George Elliott Paul, born January 29, 1917; died in a robbery of his store in August 1982.

486. (Ralph Simpson[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Ralph Simpson Viets, son of Elliot Winfield and Elvira (Simpson) Viets, was born May 2, 1880 in Grant Township, Dunn County, Wisconsin. He married August 1, 1904 Emma Belzina Kulbeck, born November 4, 1880 in Chippewa, Wisconsin, daughter of Olaus Peter and Indiana Albertina (Halvorson) Kulbeck, both natives of Norway. Mr. Viets was a barber in Colfax, Wisconsin. Mrs. Viets died March 20, 1943 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Mr. Viets died December 11, 1965 in Colfax. Children, born in Colfax:

700. i. Vivian Viola, born November 23, 1904.
701. ii. Byron Kulbeck, born December 24, 1906.
iii. Elliot Winfield II, born January 18, 1914; died December 22, 1916

in a childhood accident when he suffered burns from boiling water near his father's barber shop.

702. iv. Wayne Ralph, born January 12, 1917.
703. v. Hollis William, born January 12, 1920.
704. vi. Zelda Sybil, born February 28, 1924.

487. (Jay Burton[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Jay Burton Viets, son of Elliot Winfield and Elvira (Simpson) Viets, was born January 24, 1888 in Colfax, Wisconsin. He married there January 14, 1912 Mabel Ferguson, born March 3, 1887 in Norton, Wisconsin, daughter of George A. and Priscilla F. (Caw) Ferguson. They owned "The Ideal Fruit Store" in Colfax. They later resided in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. Mrs. Viets was yet living [1985] at the age of 98. Children, born in Colfax:

705. i. Elaine Veda, born January 20, 1914.
706. ii. Eldon Noel, born October 18, 1916.
707. iii. Valerie Maurine, born February 8, 1919.
iv. Valdo, died in infancy.
v. Priscilla, died in infancy.
vi. Donna Mae, died in infancy.

488. (Bessie Munday[7], Edward W.[6], Barzillia G.[5], Roswell[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Bessie Munday Viets, daughter of Edward Walton and Ella (Munday) Viets, was born in LaPorte, Indiana, March 8, 1873. She was educated in Plymouth and in Chicago. She married April 4, 1914 Harcourt C. Corbin, born January 3, 1870 in Plymouth, Indiana, son of Judge Horace and Catherine (Houghton) Corbin. He died October 4, 1932. Mrs. Corbin resided in Chicago. No children.

489. (Verona Evelyn[7], Dr. Byron B.[6], Barzillia G.[5], Roswell[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Verona Evelyn Viets, daughter of Dr. Byron B. and Catherine Adelaide (Matson) Viets, was born in Conneaut, Ohio, November 2, 1877. She grew up in the house (that later became Conneaut's first Country Club) built by her grandfather Barzillia Viets. The current owner and resident, Louise Passmore-Legeza, contributed much data on this line of the family. Verona Evelyn married March 29, 1900 Junius Hosford Smith, born August 26, 1875 in Englewood, New Jersey, son of Junius and Ella R. (Geer) Smith. She was thoroughly educated in music, having spent two years in the musical conservatories of this country, and one year in the Royal Conservatory in Dresden, Germany. They resided in Mount Vernon, New York. Mrs. Smith died March 2, 1959. Children:

i. Junius Hosford Smith, Jr., born October 1904 in New York City; died January 1908.
ii. Evelyn Vineta Smith, born November 21, 1906 in South Orange, New Jersey; died March 1908.

490. (Olive Emeline[7], Byron A.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Olive Emeline Viets, daughter of Byron Augustus and Louisa (Leonard) Viets, was born January 10, 1854. She married in January 1873 Charles Farrand. They resided in Salt Lake City, Utah.

491. (Ida Viola[7], Byron A.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ida Viola Viets, daughter of Byron Augustus and Louisa (Leonard) Viets, was born March 30, 1856 in Wisconsin. She married March 14, 1885 J. Harvey Whitcomb, born August 1843 in Wisconsin. He was an agent for the C.R.I. & P. Railroad. Child:

i. Vera Whitcomb, born August 1885 in Illinois.

492. (Seymour Leonard[7], Byron A.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Seymour Leonard Viets, son of Byron Augustus and Louisa (Leonard) Viets, was born June 8, 1858 in Ohio. He married first January 12, 1883 Minnie Root in Arapahoe County, Colorado. [Marriages of Arapahoe County, Colorado, 1859-1901.] He married second July 1, 1895 Louise Roulett. He was an artist in Chicago doing portrait work in pastel; was a musician and composed considerable music, writing lyrics for some. In the 1910 census he was living in San Joaquin County, California, with wife Augustine _____, born about 1852 in Switzerland.

493. (Carrie Baker[7], Apollos K.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Carrie Baker Viets, daughter of Apollos Kingsley and Aurelia (Leete) Viets, was born July 29, 1860; married Clayton Leander Viets. [See No. 497.]

494. (Jessie Fremont[7], Apollos K.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Jessie Fremont Viets, daughter of Apollos Kingsley and Aurelia (Leete) Viets, was born in West Salem, Wisconsin, February 2, 1862. She married February 10, 1886 Hon. Alfred A. Leissring, born in Monroe, Wisconsin, November 7, 1859, son of August and Caroline (Hartman) Leissring of Prussia and Lucerne, Switzerland, respectively. Mr. Leissring was a member of the legislature of Wisconsin in 1892-93 and a prominent businessman of LaCrosse. He died in Del Norte, Colorado, August 29, 1895. Mrs. Leissring, at the age of ninety, was awarded the gift for the oldest person present at the 1952 Viets reunion in East Granby. She lived in Phoenix, Arizona, in 1956. Children:

i. Beatrice Leissring, born November 1, 1886 in Norwalk, Wisconsin; married July 5, 1919 Edgar E. Brenner, born in Redfield, South Dakota, April 24, 1886, son of Rev. and Mrs. L. J. Brenner. Mr. Brenner was a hardware merchant in Marshalltown, Iowa. He died in 1949. No children.

ii. Alfred Leissring, born July 6, 1891 in LaCrosse, Wisconsin; married February 10, 1926 Marian Killmer, born in Mason City,

Iowa, April 4, 1904, daughter of A. S. and Ruth (Dayton) Killmer. One son, died in infancy (Leissring).

iii. Ruth Aurelia Leissring, born February 21, 1893 in LaCrosse; married July 3, 1918 Eugene A. Gatterdam Jr., M.D. He was born in LaCrosse April 26, 1892, son of Eugene A. I. and Hermina (Christoffer) Gatterdam. The family resided in Phoenix, Arizona. One son (Gatterdam).

**495. (Frank Abner$^{7}$, Apollos K.$^{6}$, Byron$^{5}$, Abner$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Frank Abner Viets, son of Apollos Kingsley and Aurelia (Leete) Viets, was born in West Salem, Wisconsin, February 2, 1868; he married March 18, 1891 Gertrude S. Miller, born in West Salem November 27, 1874, daughter of Fred D. and Julia (Brooks) Miller. Mr. Viets died in LaCrosse in April 1940. Mrs. Viets died January 17, 1945. Child:

708. i. Hazel Bernice, born March 4, 1892.

**496. (George Byron$^{7}$, Apollos K.$^{6}$, Byron$^{5}$, Abner$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

George Byron Viets, son of Apollos Kingsley and Aurelia (Leete) Viets, was born in West Salem, Wisconsin, October 18, 1869. He married August 20, 1910 Helen Moode Bushnell, born in Delta, Iowa, February 28, 1877, daughter of John and Louisa (Musgrove) Moode. Mr. Viets was retired and pensioned April 1, 1936 as district manager of the American Express Company. They resided in San Francisco, California. He died May 13, 1943. Mrs. Viets died February 28, 1965 in San Francisco. [California VR, FHM#6332562.] Child:

i. Virginia, born April 12, 1917 in Portland, Oregon.

**497. (Clayton Leander$^{7}$, Leander$^{6}$, Byron$^{5}$, Abner$^{4}$, Abner$^{3}$, John$^{2}$, John$^{1}$)**

Clayton Leander Viets, son of Leander and Lois (Smith) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, May 16, 1858. He married February 14, 1882 Carrie Baker Viets, born in West Salem, Wisconsin, July 29, 1860, daughter of Apollos K. and Aurelia (Leete) Viets. Mr. Viets moved with his father to Kansas, but returned to West Salem, Wisconsin, in 1894 where he conducted a store, having business interests also in Augusta, Kansas. He died December 19, 1920. A "Carrie B. Viets" died July 23, 1951 in Los Angeles County, California. [VR, California, FHM#6332561.] Their daughter Della Blanche was known to have resided in Hollywood, California. Children:

709. i. Jessie Rae, born October 29, 1884.
710. ii. Clayton Rupert, born September 25, 1886.
711. iii. Della Blanche, born November 5, 1891.

498. (Charles Allison[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Allison Viets, son of Leander and Lois (Smith) Viets, was born in West Salem, Wisconsin, October 26, 1862. He married October 4, 1888 in Augusta, Kansas, Mary Stella Sullivan, born in Bowen, Illinois, October 26, 1870, daughter of George Dare and Sarah E. (Cranston) Sullivan. Mr. Viets owned a large clothing store in Augusta. After his death the store was run by Byron James Viets until he died. It was located in the place where Calvert's is now [1985]. He died July 26, 1926. Mrs. Viets died August 26, 1949. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Augusta, Kansas. Children:

712. i. Lois Allison, born July 17, 1889.
713. ii. Hazel Stella, born November 14, 1891.

499. (Arthur James,[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Arthur James Viets, son of Leander and Anna M. (French) Viets, was born in Augusta, Kansas, February 9, 1881. He married in Wichita, Kansas, January 7, 1903 Beulah McKitrick, born in Augusta on August 23, 1884, daughter of Noah A. and Clara Ann (Moorehead) McKitrick. Arthur Viets died October 9, 1920 in Wichita Falls, Texas; his widow died there July 29, 1965. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery in Augusta, Kansas. Children:

714. i. Arthur James "Jack," born October 26, 1907.
ii. Robert Leander (twin), born May 16, 1915 in Wichita Falls, Texas. He served in World War II in Company K 142nd Infantry. He was a salesman. Unmarried. He died in a fire in his residence in Lindale, Texas, February 7, 1959.
715. iii. Richard Alexander (twin), born May 16, 1915.

500. (Ethel M.[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ethel M. Viets, daughter of Leander and Anna M. (French) Viets, was born July 15, 1885. She married Howard Taggard. They were living in Amarillo, Texas, in 1920 and in 1937 may have resided in Fresno, California. No further record.

501. (Cora E.[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Cora E. Viets, daughter of John Flavel and Lucy Ann (Pitkin) Viets, was born in Garner, Iowa, August 6, 1870. She married March 31, 1890 Harry Hammond, born in Niota, Illinois, October 30, 1869, son of Isaac and Rebecca (Isenberger) Hammond. They resided in Augusta, Kansas. Children:

i. Myrl Hammond, born in Fort Madison, Iowa, April 23, 1892; married November 21, 1917 Bessie Winters, born in Towanda, Kansas, March 27, 1899, daughter of Charles and Mary (Priest) Winters. Mr. Hammond died November 9, 1922. One son (Hammond).
ii. John Isaac Hammond, born September 5, 1893 in Augusta, Kansas;

married May 23, 1923 Ityl Chadwick, born in Cresson, Texas, January 11, 1902, daughter of John L. and Miranda (Green) Chadwick. Mr. Hammond died May 8, 1938. One son (Hammond).

iii. Mildred Rebecca Hammond, born August 28, 1896 in Augusta, Kansas; married June 28, 1916 Emory Clyde Duvall, born in Martinsburg, West Virginia, June 15, 1892, son of Emory Beall and Susan M. (Robbins) Duvall. Three children (Duvall).

502. (Nellie P.[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Nellie P. Viets, daughter of John Flavel and Lucy Ann (Pitkin) Viets, was born in Garner, Iowa, May 2, 1872. She married December 24, 1890 Ira Willard McClure, born in Zanesville, Ohio, April 10, 1869, son of Robert B. and Julia A. (Milholland) McClure. Resided in Donna, Texas. Children:

i. Jennie McClure, born February 20, 1899; married March 6, 1917 Ralph Ralston, born in Bruno Township near Augusta, Kansas, July 31, 1892, son of Carhart and Lucy (Tillitson) Ralston. Resided in Augusta, Kansas. Two children (Ralston).

ii. Vera McClure, born February 25, 1901; married June 16, 1922 George E. Bird, born in Buchanan, Michigan, June 24, 1898, son of Edward and Anna (Ewalt) Bird. Resided Los Angeles, California. One daughter (Bird).

iii. Helen McClure, born August 16, 1904; married July 2, 1933 Newton Gray, born in Cooper, Texas, January 25, 1907, son of Y. C. and Mattie (Harville) Gray. Resided in El Paso, Texas. No children.

iv. Florence McClure, born January 15, 1906; married January 19, 1924 Raymond Douglass Burris, born in Peru, Indiana, September 2, 1901, son of William H. and Neal (Barley) Burris. One daughter (Burris).

v. James Louis McClure, born November 26, 1909; married December 2, 1937 Eunice Cochran, born in Zinc, Arkansas, January 6, 1912, daughter of Robert Pinkney and Ada (Rasey) Cochran. Resided in Wichita, Kansas.

vi. Joseph McClure, born July 21, 1911. He was in Division A, U.S.S. Lexington, U.S. Navy at Long Beach, California, in 1938.

503. (Byron James[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Byron James Viets, son of John Flavel and Lucy Ann (Pitkin) Viets, was born in Garner, Iowa, September 23, 1873. He married December 22, 1910 Mary Elizabeth Miller, born in Van Buren, Arkansas, February 15, 1889, daughter of Richard J. and Alice Lucy (Gooding) Miller. The family at one time resided in Donna, Texas. It is thought that after the death of Charles Allison Viets, Byron J. ran the store established by him in Augusta, Kansas. Mr. Viets died September 17, 1951 and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery in Augusta, Kansas. [Tombstone inscriptions transcribed by A. J. Viets, Dallas, Texas, May 31, 1985.] Child:

i. One daughter (adopted).

[Note: An "Elizabeth Ann 'Sunnie' Viets Joubert," born December 30, 1919 and died September 20, 1970 was buried near Byron James Viets. She may have been their adopted daughter.]

504. (Lulu L.[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Lulu L. Viets, twin daughter of John Flavel and Lucy Ann (Pitkin) Viets, was born in Garner, Iowa, October 31, 1875. She married October 19, 1894 Philip Wilson, born in Wichita, Kansas, June 25, 1872, son of Jeremiah and Henrietta (Backinstos) Wilson. He died October 29, 1924. Mrs. Wilson resided in El Dorado, Kansas. Children:

i. Harry McKinley Wilson, born in El Dorado February 23, 1897; married August 28, 1920 Anna Gogola, born in Chicago, Illinois, June 24, 1897, daughter of Charles and Dorothy Gogola. Resided in Rosalia, Kansas. Six children (Wilson).
ii. Luttie Lucy Wilson, born in El Dorado July 19, 1898; married March 4, 1916 Robert W. Miller, born in York County, Pennsylvania, October 14, 1891, son of Joseph and Effie (Scott) Miller. Resided in El Dorado, Kansas. One daughter (Miller).
iii. Coila Mattie Wilson, born in Driftwood, Oklahoma, May 26, 1900; married November 12, 1918 Leonard O. Hunt, born in El Dorado September 30, 1894, son of Joseph Hunt of Mattoon, Illinois, and Sarah (Woods) Hunt of Kentucky. Resided in El Dorado. Two children (Hunt).

505. (Zulu Z.[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Zulu Z. Viets, twin daughter of John Flavel and Lucy Ann (Pitkin) Viets, was born in Garner, Iowa, October 31, 1875. She married December 16, 1895 Firman Price Jr., born in Waverly, Illinois, May 30, 1872, son of Firman, Sr. and Sarrah (Edders) Price. Mr. Price died September 29, 1934. Mrs. Price resided in El Dorado. Children:

i. Sarrah Eva Price, born September 19, 1896 in Augusta, Kansas; married December 23, 1916 Andrew Kowal, born in Trips, Czechoslovakia, September 22, 1888, son of John and Hedwig (Gogola) Kowal. They resided in Sioux City, Iowa. Three children (Kowal).
ii. Lucy LaRue Price, born August 23, 1898 in Augusta, Kansas; married December 28, 1916 Orma Marshall Tice, born in Mississippi, November 7, 1896, son of George and Elizabeth C. (Marshall) Tice. Resided in El Dorado, Kansas. Three children (Tice).
iii. Milda Irene Price, born April 1, 1901 in Wichita, Kansas; married November 12, 1921 Wilbur C. Wintz, who died February 15, 1937. No children.

506. (Frank Garfield[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Frank Garfield Viets, son of John Flavel and Lucy Ann (Pitkin) Viets, was born in Garner, Iowa, August 25, 1881. He married January 23, 1912 Reba Belle Taylor, born in Plains, Kansas, May 28, 1889, daughter of Hugh and Lazetta Alice (Dowell) Taylor. Mr. and Mrs. Viets lived on a ranch in Wiggins, Colorado. He died October 26, 1961 in Denver; Mrs. Viets died January 29, 1979 in Fort Morgan, Colorado. Children:

716. i. Frank Garfield Jr., born April 3, 1916.
717. ii. Elizabeth Alice, born September 28, 1918.

507. (Milla K.[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Milla K. Viets, daughter of John Flavel and Lucy Ann (Pitkin) Viets, was born in Garner, Iowa, July 9, 1883. She married November 24, 1904 Charles William Pratt, born in Douglass, Kansas, April 15, 1871, son of Alfred and Ellen (Phelps) Pratt. No children.

508. (Flavel John[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Flavel John Viets, son of John Flavel and Lucy Ann (Pitkin) Viets, was born in Garner, Iowa, March 5, 1885. He married October 30, 1910 Ann Elizabeth Parks, born in Lincoln, Nebraska, in 1889, daughter of Frank and Cornelia (DeYoe) Parks. He married second Genevieve T. Metzger, on January 15, 1921, daughter of Theodore and Adelaide (Metzger) Metzger. Flavel J. Viets died November 11, 1960 and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Augusta, Kansas. [Tombstone inscriptions transcribed by A. J. Viets, Dallas, Texas, 1985.] Children, born in Lincoln, Nebraska:

i. Wilhelminia "Billie," born August 2, 1911; died July 29, 1915 in Augusta, Kansas. [Cemetery records, Augusta, Kansas.]
ii. John Frank, born October 18, 1915; died ca 1943 in the Aleutians in World War II.

509. (Lulu[7], Cassius M.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Lulu Viets, daughter of Cassius Marcellus and Elwelda (Olsen) Viets, was born at Lost Trail Creek near Del Norte, Rio Grande County, Colorado, July 8, 1875. She married in Steamboat Springs, Colorado, September 16, 1900 Samuel Addison Keller who was born in a small oil town in Venango County, Pennsylvania, November 7, 1866, a son of William Andrew and Emma (Robinson) Keller. He died March 24, 1933. Lulu Viets was educated at home by her parents and spent two years at the State Agricultural College of Colorado studying botany. She began teaching at the age of sixteen and taught in various parts of Colorado for many years. She wrote articles for leading magazines. She died November 11, 1958 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona. Children, born in Steamboat Springs:

i. Edna May Keller, born September 20, 1901; married January 9, 1925 Elmer Lee Price, born in York, Nebraska, May 27, 1901, son of John T. and Emma (Duncan) Price. Resided in Prescott, Arizona. No children.

ii. William Viets Keller, born March 19, 1910. Unmarried.

iii. Lee Keller, born June 2, 1911; married September 10, 1933 Esther D. Hanks, born in Steamboat Springs, daughter of Clyde G. and Sadie J. (Todd) Hanks. Resided in Steamboat Springs. Three children (Keller).

**510. (Edna[7], Cassius M.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Edna Viets, daughter of Cassius Marcellus and Elwelda (Olsen) Viets, was born in Ouray, Ouray County, Colorado, August 17, 1878. She married Ernest E. Heaton in 1905. Resided in Watson, Utah. Mrs. Heaton died January 1948. Children:

i. Daughter, died in childhood.

11. Betty Heaton, adopted.

**511. (Floyd Harvey[7], Cassius M.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Floyd Harvey Viets, son of Cassius Marcellus and Elwelda (Olsen) Viets, was born in Cortez, Montezuma County, Colorado, March 23, 1889. He married first, in Rifle, Colorado, May 4, 1913 Susan Ava Thompson, born in Rifle October 22, 1892, daughter of Benjamin H. and Carrie (Stevenson) Thompson. She died in Plainfield, New Jersey, September 13, 1923. He married second, July 15, 1925 Mary A. St. Clair, born in Indiana, Pennsylvania, September 17, 1891, daughter of Dr. Harry and Clara (Lowry) St. Clair.

Floyd was graduated from Rifle High School in 1909 and attended the University of Colorado three years, studying electrical engineering. He was chief engineer for Research Corporation of New York City for several years, chief engineer for Western Precipitation Company of Los Angeles from 1924 to 1929. In 1938 he was consulting engineer in charge of the Smoke Abatement Program for Cerrode Pasco Copper Corporation. He was a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, a licensed engineer in the states of New York and California, a Mason and a member of the Presbyterian church. His engineering career caused him to travel extensively, covering the entire United States, most of Canada, and parts of South and Central America, and Mexico. He was vice-president of Almquist Bros. and Viets, Inc., of Los Angeles. His hobby was photography. Mr. Viets died February 20, 1976 in Los Angeles County. [VR, California, FHM#6332563.] Children:

718. i. Vaughn Cassius, born June 20, 1914.

ii. Ivan Benjamin, born April 29, 1917; was in commercial art in New York City in 1940. He died April 29, 1977 in Orange County, California. [VR, California, FHM#6332563.]

iii. Marjorie Alice, born March 18, 1919. She was graduated from Glendale, California, Junior College in June, 1940. She married

May 17, 1981 in Los Angeles County, Thomas L. Hastilow. [VR, California, FHM#6332556.]

iv. Shirley Louise, born January 22, 1922. Was attending Occidental College in Eagle Rock, Los Angeles, in 1940. A Shirley Louise Viets, age forty-two, married July 13, 1964 in Los Angeles County, James R. Scales; a Shirley L. Viets, age forty-six, married July 27, 1968 in Los Angeles County, Charles E. Harwood. [VR, California, FHM#6332554.]

512. (Morey Oliver[7], Oliver O.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Morey Oliver Viets, son of Oliver O. and Mary Ann (Purdy) Viets, was born January 1859. He married August 26, 1891 in Bronson, Michigan, Julia M. Cavanaugh, born in Bronson in 1863, daughter of Francis and Margaret (Ryan) Cavanaugh. She died August 22, 1933. Morey Oliver Viets was admitted to the bar in Coldwater, Michigan, July 2, 1885 where he practiced law with more than ordinary success until the fall of 1891 when failing health caused him to make a change. He lived in Colorado, Alabama, and Texas but returned to his home in Michigan where he died December 5, 1900 age forty-one years. Child:

i. Francis M., born September 13, 1894 in Denver, Colorado. Unmarried.

513. (Effie Sarah[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Effie Sarah Viets, daughter of Abner C. and Leonora E. (Clark) Viets, was born January 8, 1861 in Fowler, Ohio. She married in Trumbull County, Ohio, July 28, 1885 George H. Lamb, born January 21, 1859 in Millbrook, Pennsylvania, son of John B. and Prudence (Egbert) Lamb. Professor Lamb was superintendant of schools in Braddock, Pennsylvania. He died January 26, 1925. Children:

i. Harold H. Lamb, born March 31, 1889 in Mercer, Pennsylvania; married September 16, 1923 Annie Dorothy Palmer, born October 9, 1897 in Duxbury, Vermont, daughter of Edwin F. and Mertie E. (Huntley) Palmer. Dr. Lamb was a physician in Braddock, Pennsylvania. One son (Lamb).

ii. Mary Lamb, born April 22, 1893 in Youngstown, Ohio; died October 11, 1914.

514. (Carrie Elzaida[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Carrie Elzaida Viets, daughter of Abner C. and Leonora E. (Clark) Viets, was born April 18, 1863 in Fowler, Ohio. She married first, March 7, 1885 Dio Evans Meikle, born in Latimer, Ohio, son of James and Mary Elizabeth Meikle. He died in 1913. She married second, William M. Mikel, born in Jefferson, North Carolina. Resided in Turlock, California. Child:

i. R. V. Meikle, born in 1890 in Latimer, Ohio; married October 14, 1915 Leah Frances Keylor, born April 22, 1889 in Walla Walla,

Washington, daughter of Dr. Howard R. and Sarah F. (Stine) Keylor. The family esided in Turlock, California. Three children (Meikle).

515. (Drayton Alonzo[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Drayton Alonzo Viets, son of Abner C. and Leonora E. (Clark) Viets, was born February 25, 1866 in Fowler, Ohio. He married first Lena Leona Teaf, born July 13, 1872 in Steubenville, Ohio, daughter of Frank Teaf. They were divorced in 1913. Mrs. Viets later adopted a son, Charles S. Viets. She died August 7, 1948. Drayton married as his second wife, September 20, 1919 Myrtle I. Johnson, born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Johnson. Mr. Viets was a real estate broker in Youngstown, Ohio. He died March 23, 1948 in Youngstown. Children, born in Youngstown:

719. i. Virginia Myrtle, born April 30, 1921.
720. ii. Dorothy Alma, born September 9, 1923.

516. (Leonard Clark[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Leonard Clark Viets, son of Abner C. and Leonora E. (Clark) Viets, was born December 23, 1867 in Fowler, Ohio. He married first, on April 26, 1889 in Trumbull County, Ohio, Mary Ella Blackburn, born October 27, 1868 in Canfield, Ohio, daughter of Josiah H. and Amanda J. (Pettit) Blackburn. She died March 7, 1899 in Fowler. Mr. Viets married second, March 12, 1902 in New Castle, Pennsylvania, Eva Blanche Robinson, born August 21, 1868 in New Castle, daughter of Andrew and Margaret (McBerney) Robinson. She died January 14, 1937 in Wheeling, West Virginia. Mr. Viets was a landscape architect in Wheeling. He died May 5, 1949. Children, born in Fowler:

721. i. Leola Claire, born September 30, 1889.
722. ii. Lloyd Oscar, born August 23, 1891.
723. iii. Charles Eugene, born April 27, 1893.
724. iv. Raymond Austin, born May 28, 1895.

517. (Abner C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Abner C. Viets, son of Abner C. and Leonora E. (Clark) Viets, was born in Fowler, Ohio, November 30, 1870. Mr. Viets enjoyed landscaping and contributed much to Millcreek Park in Youngstown, Ohio. He married in Trumbull County, Ohio, August 10, 1892 Etta M. Doud, born in Howland Township July 4, 1868, daughter of Lucius and Ella (Hall) Doud. He and his wife separated. She married second, Leon Rogers and they raised his three daughters by a previous marriage. Mr. Viets died early in 1943. Children:

725. i. Ella Mildred, born April 28, 1895.
726. ii. Harold L., born June 17, 1900.

518. (Lavern William[7], Orville D.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Lavern William Viets, son of Orville Daken and Elzaida B. (Terrell) Viets, was born January 12, 1864 in Maple Grove, Barry County, Michigan. He married in Trumbull County, Ohio June 17, 1896 Minnie Irwin, born about 1869 in Cortland, Ohio, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Reeder) Irwin. Mr. Viets was an attorney and lived in Mansfield, Richland County, Ohio. He died December 16, 1902. His widow married in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, February 5, 1907 Fred W. Thomas. Children, born in Bazetta, Trumbull County, Ohio:

i. Aubrey Orville, born August 7, 1898.
ii. Ella G., born December 12, 1899. She changed her name to Marian G.

519. (Ward J.[7], Orville D.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ward J. Viets, son of Orville Daken and Joanna W. (Storier) Viets, was born in Johnston, Ohio, July 20, 1878. He married, August 17, 1897 Blanche Ryder, born November 20, 1878 in Hiram, Ohio, daughter of Charles H. and Eliza (Perry) Ryder of Perry, Ohio. Mr. Viets and family were active in their church and community. Both daughters are talented musicians, and Mrs. Viets wrote many worthy poems. She was a member of the Cortland, Ohio, Methodist Church. H. Isabel Viets wrote, "This writer [herself] had the pleasure of visiting the family in their nice home in Cortland in 1938 and came away with the feeling that she had seen the ideal home and the ideal family."

The house on High Street was the home of his parents and where he lived most of his life. It later became the home of his daughters, Vivian Vera and Wilhemien Wilma. Mrs. Viets died April 4, 1950 in Warren, Ohio. Mr. Viets died September 1, 1959 in Cortland. Children, born in Cortland:

i. Vivian Vera, born September 2, 1900. She was a principal in the Warren, Ohio, school system.
ii. Orville Daken Jr., "O'Dee," born October 18, 1901; died August 13, 1902.
iii. Wilhemien Wilma, born February 18, 1904. She was a music teacher in the Warren school system.

Vivan and Wilhemien retired in 1946 after a combined total of eighty-four years of teaching. They have been extremely active in DAR, church, and community affairs. In 1984 they gave a piece of property to the city of Cortland, Ohio, for a new library, known as the Viets Memorial Library. They both yet live in their 112-year-old home, known as the "Viets House," in Cortland, the home of their parents and grandparents.

520. (Arthur W.[7], Dudley L.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Arthur W. Viets, son of Dudley Leroy and Emma J. (Holcomb) Viets, was born July 1, 1873 in Trumbull County, Ohio. He married Anna Belle Sarver, born September 25, 1872 in Elizabeth, Pennsylvania, daughter of John and Katherine (Kent) Sarver. Mr. Viets died December 22, 1928 in McKeesport, Pennsylvania. Children, born in McKeesport:

i. Bertha, born January 1, 1904; unmarried.
ii. Dorothy, born August 24, 1908; unmarried.

521. (William W.[7], Dudley L.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

William W. "Will" Viets, son of Dudley Leroy and Emma J. (Holcomb) Viets, was born in Trumbull County, Ohio, July 11, 1875. He married Ruth Smith in Uniontown, Pennsylvania. He died in August 1922; buried in Center Cemetery, Fowler, Ohio. No children.

522. (Eugene Elmo[7], Dudley L.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Eugene Elmo Viets, son of Dudley Leroy and Helen J. (Fitch) Viets, was born December 26, 1886 in Fowler, Ohio. He married March 26, 1908 Hazel Belle Beardsley, born March 20, 1887 in Cleveland, Ohio, daughter of Edwin J. and Eva (Lloyd) Beardsley. Mr. Viets was in the nursery business, and was a distributor for electrical products in Cleveland. They resided in Lisbon, Ohio. Mr. Viets died November 28, 1951. Children, born in Cleveland:

727. i. Eva Belle, born June 22, 1909.
728. ii. Edwin Dudley, born November 15, 1921.

523. (Van Buren Dudley[7], Henry A.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Van Buren Dudley Viets, son of Henry Albert and Lucy S. (Clark) Viets, was born July 11, 1871 in the old Viets' house in Fowler. He was brought up on the farm, educated in the public schools and at Cortland High School. He was graduated from Cincinnati Medical College in 1895 after which he practiced medicine in Youngstown, Ohio. He married November 11, 1894 Minnie M. Arthurholt, daughter of his preceptor, Dr. D. H. Arthurholt. She died in January 1923. He married second, June 24, 1925 Edna Womer, a nurse. Dr. Viets died August 22, 1935 in Youngstown. Child:

729. i. Elton Willard, born October 26, 1898.

524. (Harriet Odel[7], Henry A.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Harriet Odel Viets, daughter of Henry Albert and Lucy S. (Clark) Viets, was born June 2, 1874 in Fowler, Ohio. She married August 17, 1893 the Reverend Franklin Nichols, born December 14, 1868 in Fowler, son of Lucius and Alvinie (Hayes) Nichols. Resided in Chagrin Falls, Ohio. Children:

i. Theo Van Nichols, born January 1, 1898 in Fowler; married June 14, 1924 Gertrude Mowen, born January 26, 1899 in Cleveland, daughter of James and Oscelia (Brodt) Mowen. Resided Chagrin Fall, Ohio. One child (Nichols).
ii. Child, died at age five.
iii. John Nichols, died at age of three months.

525. (Lottie Emma[7], Henry A.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Lottie Emma Viets, daughter of Henry Albert and Lucy S. (Clark) Viets, was born July 18, 1876 in Fowler, Ohio. She married first, October 21, 1896 Charles Brosius of Fowler, son of William and Mary Brosius. She married second _____ Clough. Resided New Carlisle, Indiana. No children.

526. (Edna Lucy[7], Henry A.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Edna Lucy Viets, daughter of Henry Albert and Lucy S. (Clark) Viets, was born February 23, 1878 in Fowler, Ohio. She married October 26, 1899 in Fowler Clarence C. Card, born August 17, 1874 in Fowler, son of Adelbert and Alice (Forward) Card. They resided in Youngstown, Ohio. Mrs. Card was killed in an automobile accident July 3, 1946 in Ohio. Children, born in Youngstown:

i. Laurence L. Card, born April 12, 1900; died October 13, 1908.
ii. Beatrice Card, born August 17, 1902; married May 7, 1924 Verne V. Theiss, born March 29, 1901 in Youngstown, son of Arthur and Viola (Baker) Theiss. One son (Theiss).
iii. Opal Inez Card, born October 14, 1909; married April 1, 1935 James W. Lowry, born August 24, 1908 in Newton Falls, Ohio, son of D. O. and Lois (Hickok) Lowry. Resided in Cleveland, Ohio. No children.

527. (Nellie Johan[7], Henry A.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Nellie Johan Viets, daughter of Henry Albert and Lucy S. (Clark) Viets, was born May 23, 1880 in Fowler, Ohio. She married August 8, 1906 Dwight L. Hayes, born October 30, 1885 in Fowler, son of Charles and Clara (Baldwin) Hayes. Resided in Warren, Ohio. Children, born in Warren:

i. Kenneth Charles Hayes, born September 9, 1909; married December 22, 1934 Hazel Van Allen, daughter of Ira and LaVerne (Stemmetz) Van Allen. One son (Hayes).
ii. Thelma Mae Hayes, born March 13, 1913; married June 6, 1936 Julius Bero, born August 10, 1912 in Franklin, Pennsylvania, son of James and Mary (Swartz) Bero.
iii. Vera Viola Hayes, born April 17, 1915; married February 19, 1938 William Fillmore, born October 27, 1912 in Alexandra, Pennsylvania, son of Ira and Margarett (Speedy) Fillmore.

528. (Charles Sumner[7], Oliver B.[6], Dr. Oliver[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Sumner Viets, son of Oliver Byron and Mary A. (Dutcher) Viets, was born March 21, 1873 in Woodville, New York. He married March 26, 1903 Jennie Laura Whitcomb, born April 18, 1876 in Rodman, New York, daughter of Oliver and Ella (Cooley) Whitcomb. Resided in Schenectady, New York. Children, born in Schenectady:

730. i. Dorothy Whitcomb, born March 23, 1904.
731. ii. Helen Margaret, born August 31, 1906.

529. (Harry Dutcher[7], Oliver B.[6], Dr. Oliver[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

The Reverend Harry Dutcher Viets, son of Oliver Byron and Mary A. (Dutcher) Viets, was born April 26, 1884 in Woodville, New York. He married August 2, 1933 Mrs. Henrietta (Herman) Moore, born March 5, 1877, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Martin C. Herman. the Reverend Viets was educated at Union Academy of Belleville, New York, Nashotah House, Nashotah, Wisconsin, Philadelphia Divinity School, and King's College, University of London. He was ordained deacon in 1911, priest in 1912, and curate of Old St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, 1912-1918; he was rector of St. John's Church, Carlisle, Pennsylvania. He wrote "Busy years, plenty of work and no fame."

530. (John A.[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

John A. Viets, son of Henry Leslie and Mary Ann (Parker) Viets, was born January 12, 1863 in Burns, Wisconsin. He married first, October 17, 1886 in Van Horn, Texas, Susie G. Capers. She died at Parker's Prairie, Minnesota, December 24, 1887. He married second, January 18, 1890 in Pembina, North Dakota, Nancy Ann Buffey, born September 13, 1871 in Lampton, Ontario, Canada, daughter of George Buffey of London, England, and Sarah Ann (Chambers) Buffey of Ontario. Mr. Viets was an agent for the Milwaukee Railroad. He died January 11, 1927 in Metaline Falls, Washington, and was buried in Spokane, Washington. Mrs. Viets died September 20, 1964 in Portland, Oregon. [Obituary, Morning Oregonian.] Children, by first marriage:

732. i. Susie G., born December 23, 1887.

By second marriage:

ii. Mabel Daisy, born January 31, 1891 in St. Thomas, North Dakota. Unmarried. Resided in Spokane, Washington. She died July 28, 1976.
733. iii. Ethel Irene, born January 21, 1894.
iv. Henry Leslie Jr., born June 7, 1898 in Harrington, Washington; died November 12, 1898.
734. v. Kathryn Verna, born June 6, 1904.
735. vi. John Francis "Jack," born February 11, 1907.

531. (Lathrop Enoch[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Lathrop Enoch Viets, son of Henry Leslie and Mary Ann (Parker) Viets, was born November 24, 1869 in Bangor, LaCrosse County, Wisconsin. He married in Parkers Prairie, Otter Tail County, Minnesota, February 26, 1891 Elizabeth McCallum Murray, born September 4, 1868 in New Stevenston, Hollytown, Scotland, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Russell) Murray. Mr. and Mrs. Viets both died in Fargo, North Dakota, he on November 15, 1934, she on April 18, 1945. Children:

736. i. Clair Henry James, born September 30, 1893.
737. ii. Leonard Wallace, born November 18, 1898.

532. (Daisy Carrie[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Daisy Carrie Viets, daughter of Henry Leslie and Mary Ann (Parker) Viets, was born April 4, 1884 in Parker's Prairie, Minnesota. She married first, June 21, 1905 in Henning, Minnesota, Earl Garfield Gates; she married second, August 9, 1933 in Las Vegas, Nevada, Earl Robert Tarbell. Resided in Long Beach, California. Child:

i. Belle Beverly Gates, born September 29, 1906 in Moorhead, Minnesota; married June 21, 1931 at Long Beach, California, Nathan Arnet Carr, born December 16, 1903 in Macon, Illinois, son of Seth Arnet and Georgia (Arnold) Carr. Resided in Long Beach, California. One daughter (Carr).

533. (Joshua Quincy[7], Robert R.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Joshua Quincy Viets, son of Robert Rudd and Sara E. Viets, was born May 8, 1891 in Kentucky. He married Maude Tanner, born May 20, 1895. Child:

738. i. Robert Adron Viets, born June 24, 1919.

534. (William Hobart[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

William Hobart "Bill" Viets Jr., son of William Hobart and Willa Mina (Hancock) Viets, was born September 30, 1887 in Indiana; married February 9, 1908 Nora Moore. He died October 30, 1938. Children:

739. i. Evelyn, born July 2, 1909.
740. ii. Kathleen, born January 10, 1924.
741. iii. Jeanette, born May 1, 1926.

535. (Marcia Lunette[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Marcia Lunette Viets, daughter of William Hobart and Willa Mina (Hancock) Viets, was born November 2, 1890 in Indiana. She married June 6, 1909 John Wilds Meriwether. He died in the 1930s and she died September 25, 1972. Children:

i. Margaret Meriwether, born June 30, 1913; married in 1934 Homer Lee Jett. Six children (Jett).
ii. William Hobart Meriwether, born July 3, 1916; married May 18, 1947 Mary Ann Piper. Mr. Meriwether died January 24, 1986. Two children (Meriwether).
iii. John Wilds Meriwether, born April 3, 1925; married June 22, 1945 Betty Jo Stevens. Two children (Meriwether).

536. (Helen Corbin[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Helen Corbin Viets, daughter of William Hobart and Willa Mina (Hancock) Viets, was born March 23, 1893 in Kentucky; married September 28 1912? Joseph Webb. Mr. Webb died April 17, 1947. Children:

i. Earl Keith Webb, born January 30, 1913; married Geneva Wright; he died April 18, 1958. Four children (Webb).
ii. Pauline Webb, married James Aron McElya. One child (McElya).

537. (Ralph Marshal[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ralph Marshal Viets, son of William Hobart and Willa Mina (Hancock) Viets, was born March 11, 1885 in Kentucky; married Hazel Peal, born October 28, 1885. Mr. Viets died December 25, 1936. His widow died August 14, 1975. Children:

742. i. Ralph Rudd, born December 14, 1912.
ii. Will Thomas, born February 15, 1920; died December 4, 1927.
743. iii. Martha Rachel, born November 20, 1927.
744. iv. Billee, born January 1, 1934.

538. (Bryan Walcott[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Bryan Walcott Viets, son of William Hobart and Willa Mina (Hancock) Viets, was born February 20, 1897 at Hazelwood, Ballard County, Kentucky; married Annie Louise Keller, born August 23, 1902 in Henderson County, Kentucky, daughter of Andrew Jackson and Louise Catherine (Gosnell) Keller. He died February 27, 1951 in LaCenter, Kentucky. Mrs. Viets was living in a nursing home in LaCenter in 1987. Children:

745. i. Laura Ann, born September 2, 1927.
746. ii. Bryan Royce, born February 17, 1930.
iii. Jackie Earl, born May 19, 1939 at LaCenter; died May 19, 1939.

747. iv. William Thomas, born October 9, 1941.
748. v. Mina Louise, born July 26, 1943.

539. (Lolo Margaret[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Lolo Margaret Viets, daughter of William Hobart and Willa Mina (Hancock) Viets, was born February 19, 1899 in Kentucky; married December 24, 1920 Maurice Webster Boyd in West Little Rock, Arkansas. They had no children of their own but raised Laura Ann Viets, daughter of Bryan Walcott Viets. [See No. 538.] Mrs. Boyd died November 14, 1971; her husband died March 2, 1980 in Monroe, Louisiana.

540. (Frederick Gentry[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Frederick Gentry Viets, son of William Hobart and Willa Mina (Hancock) Viets, was born September 28, 1900 at Hazelwood, Ballard County, Kentucky. He married July 4, 1924 at Oscar, Kentucky, Della Frances Owen, born January 17, 1906 in LaCenter, Kentucky, daughter of Edward Hinkle and Nellie B. (Lane) Owen. They celebrated sixty-three years of marriage, July 4, 1987. Mrs. Viets died October 23, 1987. Mr. Viets was living in a nursing home in LaCenter in 1987. Child:

749. i. Jack, born May 19, 1925.

541. (Hobart[7], John O.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Hobart Viets, son of John Oscar and Sarah Elizabeth (Cox) Viets, was born March 28, 1885 in Harmony, Indiana. He married first, Stella Moutray, daughter of Levi and Mary (Compton) Moutray. He married second, Cecile Hanshoe. Mr. Viets was a teacher in Stewartsville, Indiana. He died in 1960. Children, by first marriage:

750. i. Faye, born July 7, 1912.
751. ii. Ruth, born January 14, 1915.
iii. Paul, born January 27, 1917 in Mt. Vernon, Indiana. Unmarried.

542. (Ishmael[7], John O.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ishmael Viets, son of John Oscar and Sarah Elizabeth (Cox) Viets, was born January 17, 1890 in Harmony, Indiana. He married December 23, 1932 Zelda Tron, born July 9, 1912 in Lynn, Indiana, daughter of August and Selma (Appel) Tron. Resided in Poseyville, Indiana. No children.

543. (Percy[7], John O.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Percy Viets, son of John Oscar and Sarah (Cox) Viets, was born July 18, 1893 in Harmony, Indiana. He married May 31, 1915 Hazel Boyle, born October 9, 1893 in Stewartsville, Indiana, daughter of Aubrey and Alice (Trethewey)

Boyle. He celebrated his ninety-sixth birthday in 1989 in Evansville, Indiana, where he lives alone with his cats and dog. He is yet able to mow his one-acre lawn. Children:

752. i. Mildred Lois, born May 15, 1916.
ii. Joyce, born April 19, 1920 in Stewartsville, Indiana. She married _____ Mitchell. Resides in Evansville, Indiana.
iii. Helen, born March 12, 1923 in Cortland, Illinois. Deceased.
iv. James Robert, born July 13, 1924 in Cortland.
753. v. Kathryn, born August 25, 1925.
vi. John Aubrey "Jack," born December 14, 1929 in Waterman. He lives in North Carolina.

544. (Henrietta Maria[7], Samuel W.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Henrietta Maria Viets, daughter of Samuel Willis and Caroline (Terry) Viets, was born April 1, 1851 in either Granby or Windsor Locks. She married in Sanilac, Michigan, April 12, 1873 William James Brown, born December 4, 1850 in Belleville, Ontario, Canada, son of Joseph and Lucinda (Brooks) Brown. He was an employee of the Grand Trunk Railroad. Both died in Gorham, New Hampshire, he on February 19, 1928 and his wife on June 16, 1932. Children:

i. Harvey Edgar Brown, born April 25, 1874; married April 24, 1901 Lillian E. Willey, born February 12, 1882 in Gorham, New Hampshire, daughter of James E. and Rosaltha A. (Hodge) Willey of Shelburne, New Hampshire, and Canton, Maine, respectively. They resided in Gorham. Four children (Brown).
ii. Bertha M. Brown, born April 5, 1876 in Forester, Michigan; married November 26, 1901 Clarence Sylvester Boothby, born December 8, 1877 in Wiscasset, Maine, son of Winbarn A. and Marcia (Chase) Boothby. Mrs. Boothby died January 11, 1934 in Hinsdale, Illinois. Two children (Boothby).
iii. Frederick W. Brown, born December 15, 1878 in Forester, Michigan; married January 21, 1906 Christina Gillis, born in Chatham, New Brunswick, December 29, 1876, daughter of James and Margaret Ann (McNeil) Gillis. Resided in Gorham, New Hampshire. Four children (Brown).
iv. Samuel Brown, born between 1878 and 1883; died at age of two years.
v. George P. Brown, born March 19, 1883 in Highland Park, Michigan; married Carrie Frazier. Mr. Brown died March 2, 1941. No children.
vi. Velma E. Brown, born August 28, 1888 in Detroit, Michigan; married August 16, 1911 Ovide H. Falardean, born October 6, 1889 in West Milan, New Hampshire, son of Joseph and Gratie E. (Twitchell) Falardean. Resided in Berlin, New Hampshire. Two children (Falardean).

545. (Frederick S.[7], Samuel W.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Frederick S. Viets, son of Samuel Willis and Caroline (Terry) Viets, was born October 23, 1854 in Windsor Locks. From the Viets Genealogy: "The family removing to Forester, Michigan, he attended the village school in Forester until seventeen years of age, working during vacations on his father's farm; then went to Au Sable and clerked in a store one year; returned to Sanilac County, and took up the business of teaching, reading law at the same time, which he followed until 1878 when he entered a law office in Oscoda, Mich., and in the spring of 1880 was admitted to the bar, returned to Sanilac co., and in April 1880 went into partnership with W. E. Stevenson in the general merchandise business, which they continued until 1884; then commenced the practice of law in Downington, Mich., where he has since resided, excepting from May 1891 until May 1893 when he had charge of the State Law library in Lansing.

"He has been twice a candidate for representative in the legislature, and once for prosecuting attorney of the county, but belonging to the political party which was in the minority, was defeated each time. He has held the office of commissioner of schools two years, and that of township treasurer four years, and has been twenty-one years director of the village schools."

He married in Deckerville, Michigan, in 1878 Matilda Hill, born May 1861 in Lexington, Michigan, and died October 14, 1931. Mr. Viets practiced law almost to the time of his death, which occurred in July 1938. Children:

i. Maud S., born 1897; died age five years.
ii. Florence P., died age seven months.
754. iii. Myrtle F., born June 6, 1901.

546. (Eva J.[7], Samuel W.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Eva J. Viets, daughter of Samuel Willis and Caroline (Terry) Viets, was born February 4, 1857 in Forester, Michigan. She married in November 1889 George Wyllie, born July 17, 1856 in Jedburgh, Scotland, son of Robert and Catharine (Hastie) Wyllie. He died August 25, 1928; his wife died May 27, 1934 in Hammond, New York. Children:

i. Caroline Wyllie, born July 21, 1891 in Brandon, New York; married June 30, 1914 Herbert Partridge Conger, born February 27, 1887 in Fergus Falls, Minnesota, son of William L. and Lola (Partridge) Conger. Mrs. Conger was a graduate of the University of Michigan and is a licensed pharmacist. While in college she was a member of Chi Omega sorority. Resided in Hammond, New York. Two daughters (Conger).
ii. Florence Wyllie, born ca 1894.

547. (Katherine Marie[7], Samuel W.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Katherine Marie Viets, daughter of Samuel Willis and Caroline (Terry) Viets, was born April 25, 1859 in Forester, Michigan. She married May 25, 1884 in Oscoda, Iosco County, Michigan, Arthur M. Dayton. Mrs. Dayton died December 7, 1933 in Michigan. Children:

i. Daughter Dayton, died in infancy.
ii. Grace V. Dayton, born in September 1889; died 1915 (?). She married E. R. Cameron of Delta, Ohio.

548. (Caroline B.[7], Samuel W.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Caroline B. "Carrie" Viets, daughter of Samuel Willis and Caroline (Terry) Viets, was born June 14, 1865 in Forester, Michigan. She married June 23, 1892 William S. Wilton, born October 11, 1865 in Bridgehampton, Michigan, son of Pittman A. and Jane (Aldred) Wilton. Mrs. Wilton died in Lakeport, St. Clair County, Michigan, July 10, 1943; Mr. Wilton died there May 18, 1946. Children:

i. Arthur Frederick Wilton, born June 26, 1893 in Downington, Michigan; married September 16, 1914 Kathryn R. Knisley, born May 7, 1894 in Blaine, Michigan, daughter of David and Sarah Jane (Rutledge) Knisley. Resided in Port Huron, Michigan. Mr. Wilton died June 25, 1969. Four children (Wilton).
ii. Samuel Eugene Wilton, born August 30, 1896 in Downington; died August 11, 1905.
iii. Clifford Viets Wilton, born December 1, 1902 in Lakeport, Michigan; married December 12, 1934 Ruth Lang, born July 16, 1916 in North Street, Michigan, daughter of Charles E. and Sylvia (Knisley) Lang. Resided in North Street, Michigan. Three sons (Wilton).

549. (Samuel James[7], Samuel W.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Samuel James Viets, son of Samuel Willis and Caroline (Terry) Viets, was born November 13, 1869 in Forester, Michigan. About 1877 his parents moved to Oscoda, Michigan, where he attended school until 1880 when he went to St. Regis Falls, New York. He was employed by a lumber company in Moira, New York, from 1888 to 1893. In 1896 he moved to the upper peninsula of Michigan and in 1898 entered the employ of the Soo Line R.R. in Gladstone. Later he worked for the Gladstone Milling Company in charge of their branch in Manistique. He married in 1888 Charlotte (Lottie) M. Clark of Moira, New York. He and his wife separated, and she married a Mr. Cronan. Mrs. Cronan died in October 1957. Mr. Viets resided in Rapid River, Michigan. Child:

755. i. Clarence Clark, born July 6, 1889.

550. (Hortense Alethea[7], William C.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Hortense Alethea Viets, daughter of William Chauncey and Harriet Chapin (Chandler) Viets, was born February 23, 1862 in East Windsor. She married August 1, 1881 Elmer E. Randall, born June 24, 1861 in Collinsville, son of Jesse William and Ann (Bland) Randall, both of England. Mr. Randall was principal of the grammar school in Hazardville for a number of years. Mrs. Randall died in Wollaston, Massachusetts, February 21, 1946 and was buried in Suffield, Connecticut. Children:

i. Ethelmer H. Randall, born in Suffield; died in childhood.
ii. Jesse W. Randall, born February 19, 1884 in Hazardville; married July 9, 1907 Mary E. Holcombe, born January 22, 1884 in Thompsonville, daughter of Samuel H. and Mavaretta E. (Houghton) Holcombe. Resided in West Hartford. One daughter (Randall).

From the Hartford Times, January 1940

Friends and business associates today extended felicitations to Jesse W. Randall, vice-president of the Travelers Insurance Company, who on Sunday noted the 35th anniversary of his connection with the company.

Mr. Randall was born in Hazardville and was graduated from the Enfield High School. His first work with the Travelers was as a mail clerk in 1905 and a few months later he was transferred to the liability department as a vault clerk.

In 1910 Mr. Randall was transferred to the field organization as a special agent of the Traveler's Indemnity Company and in the following March promoted to the position of casualty manager of the Springfield, Mass. office. That fall he was made manager at the Worcester, Mass. branch, and the following spring, assistant manager, in the Boston office. In August 1915 he was brought back to the home office and appointed assistant secretary of the compensation and liability department. In November 1927 Mr. Randall was promoted to secretary of the department and on September 17, 1934 was elected vice-president.

Mr. Randall is a member of the Hartford Club, Wampanoag Country Club and the Rotary Club.

In 1945 upon the death of the President, L. Edmund Zacher, the company directors elected Mr. Randall as president of Traveler's Insurance Company.

iii. Dora M. Randall, born August 5, 1888 in Hazardville; married June 20, 1917 Albert Schirm, born June 23, 1888 in Hartford, son of Franz and Regina (Forster) Schirm. Resided in Wollaston, Massachusetts. Two daughters (Schirm).

iv. Lola V. Randall, born June 1, 1893 in Hazardville; married first William Walker, second John Weiser. She died in Hartford May 31, 1941. One daughter (Walker). One daughter (Weiser).

551. (**Florentia Cleodora**[7], **William C.**[6], **Seymour S.**[5], **Samuel**[4], **Abner**[3], **John**[2], **John**[1])

Florentia Cleodora Viets, daughter of William Chauncey and Harriet Chapin (Chandler) Viets, was born May 24, 1864 in East Windsor. She married October 13, 1884 George A. Douglass Jr., born in Suffield in 1849, son of George A. and Caroline (Abbe) Douglass. Mrs. Douglass was active in church and club circles for many years. She died in Suffield July 14, 1941. Mr. Douglass died there the following October 31. No children.

552. (**Herbert Leon**[7], **William C.**[6], **Seymour S.**[5], **Samuel**[4], **Abner**[3], **John**[2], **John**[1])

Herbert Leon Viets, son of William Chauncey and Harriet Chapin (Chandler) Viets, was born in Suffield January 31, 1867. He married October 28, 1890 Carrie Hemenway, born March 28, 1866 in Thompsonville, daughter of Nathaniel and Marie (Chipman) Hemenway. Mr. Viets was connected with the Westfield Plate Company as treasurer and bookkeeper. He died October 30, 1919; his widow died September 6, 1931. Resided in Suffield. Children, born in Suffield:

756. i. Vera, born December 13, 1893.
757. ii. Seeley H., born April 29, 1895.
758. iii. Herbert Leon Jr., born October 14, 1898.

553. (**May Alberta**[7], **Albert A.**[6], **Judah D.**[5], **Dan**[4], **Abner**[3], **John**[2], **John**[1])

May Alberta Viets, daughter of Albert Andrew and Mary C. (Rowley) Viets, was born September 27, 1871 in Bloomfield. She married Herbert L. Risley, of East Hartford, son of Ralph Risley. She died February 12, 1898. No children.

554. (**Caroline Augusta**[7], **Walter D.**[6], **Dan A.**[5], **Dan**[4], **Abner**[3], **John**[2], **John**[1])

Caroline Augusta "Carrie" Viets, daughter of Walter Dwight and Adelaide (Griffin) Viets, was born in East Granby April 25, 1869. She married May 24, 1892 Frederick Percy Damon, born in Greenfield, Massachusetts, December 17, 1869, son of Austin and Lauretta Jane (Wright) Damon. Resided in Taunton, Massachusetts. Mr. Damon died June 11, 1945. Mrs. Damon died in Springfield, Massachusetts, November 28, 1953. Children:

i. Harold Viets Damon, born July 18, 1895 in Springfield, Massachusetts; married in Washington, D.C., April 29, 1925 May McMahon of Dubuque, Iowa. Mr. Damon died April 30, 1943 in Flint, Michigan. One son (Damon).
ii. Dorcas Damon, born April 27, 1897 in Springfield, Massachusetts; married in New York City December 14, 1925 Robert Erskine Hamilton, born October 7, 1868 in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, son of

John P. and Elle (Moreledge) Hamilton. He died October 22, 1937. His widow lived in Taunton, Massachusetts. Three children (Hamilton).

iii. Robert Frederick Damon, born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, June 19, 1900; died August 5, 1918 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

iv. Marjorie Damon, born June 8, 1912 in Peoria, Illinois; married August 5, 1939 Gordon Carver Pratt, born in Taunton, Massachusetts, September 29, 1911, son of William E. and Florence (Rockett) Pratt. He was a physician in Longmeadow, Massachusetts. Three children (Pratt).

555. (Ralph Waldo[7], Walter D.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ralph Waldo Viets, son of Walter Dwight and Adelaide (Griffin) Viets, was born in Granby October 20, 1878. He married first, March 7, 1905 in New York City Julia A. Sullivan. They were divorced. He married second, Mrs. Mae Wynne of Detroit, Michigan. She died February 19, 1931. Mr. Viets died in Detroit October 13, 1941. Child, by first marriage:

759. i. William G., born November 2, 1906.

556. (Burdette William[7], William B.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Burdette William Viets, son of William Burdette and Louise (Wright) Viets, was born in Worthington, Massachusetts, January 21, 1875. He married in West Springfield, Massachusetts, June 16, 1896 [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0955093] Jennie L. McClaflin. She died November 1899 in West Springfield. He married, second September 5, 1900 Mrs. Hattie E. Roloff, born in Westfield, Massachusetts, February 28, 1875. Mr. Viets was employed for thirty-five years as an engineer by John S. Lane and Son of Westfield. About 1937 he took the position of custodian at the Home of the Aged in Holyoke, Massachusetts. He died in Holyoke June 30, 1942. No children.

557. (Nettie Louise[7], William B.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Nettie Louise Viets, daughter of William Burdett and Louise (Wright) Viets, was born in Worthington, Massachusetts, May 4, 1876. She married April 16, 1895 in West Springfield [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0955090] Dennis C. Bryan who died August 31, 1897. Mrs. Bryan died November 13, 1925. Child:

i. Vivian Viets Bryan, born February 12, 1897; died July, 1899.

558. (Robert John[7], William B.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert John Viets, son of William Burdette and Louise (Wright) Viets, was born December 26, 1880 in Worthington, Massachusetts. He married December 19, 1900 in West Springfield, Massachusetts, Eudora S. Dustin, born June 14, 1879 in Westville Center, New York, daughter of George A. and Sarah (Rogers) Dustin. Mr. Viets died September 23, 1901 in Springfield, Massachusetts. Child:

760. i. Gladys Louise, born September 5, 1901.

559. (Clifton Marsh[7], William B.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Clifton Marsh Viets, son of William Burdette and Louise (Wright) Viets, was born April 18, 1884 in Worthington, Massachusetts. He married June 21, 1907 in North Holyoke (or South Hadley), Massachusetts, Mina Wallace, born April 2, 1889 in Norwich, daughter of John Hill and Mina (Chocorane) Wallace. Mr. Viets died in North Wilbraham, Massachusetts, February 8, 1942. Children:

761. i. Doris Louise, born April 9, 1908.
762. ii. Frances Marion, born November 1, 1914.
763. iii. Clifton Wallace, born January 30, 1920.
764. iv. Virginia Harold, born April 25, 1925.

560. (John Hartley[7], Hartley A.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

John Hartley Viets, son of Hartley Alexander and Anne E. (McNamara) Viets, was born in East Granby August 21, 1891. He married as his first wife on June 30, 1921 Blanche Lyons, born in Bennington, Vermont, March 28, 1888, daughter of Samuel C. and Charlotte (Harrington) Lyons. Blanche (Lyons) Viets was a former schoolteacher. She was a past matron of Day Star Chapter, O.E.S., secretary of the East Granby Library Association for several years, and registrar of electors. She was also a correspondent for the Hartford Courant for several years. She died in her home in East Granby March 5, 1938. Mr. Viets married second on October 31, 1938 Esther L. Atkins, born in Brooklyn, New York, March 14, 1897, daughter of Charles and Julia Atkins. Mr. Viets was a farmer - tobacco, dairy and poultry. He worked also as an inspector for Pratt and Whitney Aircraft. He died November 15, 1958 in Marlborough. He is buried in Elmwood Cemetery in East Granby. Child, by first marriage:

765. i. Sterling Hartley, born July 27, 1922.

561. (Fred Whitney[7], Hartley A.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Fred Whitney Viets, son of Hartley Alexander and Anna E. (McNamara) Viets, was born in East Granby February 25, 1893. He married July 9, 1921 Sadie Margaret Nicholson, born in West Suffield June 19, 1893, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Adams) Nicholson. Mrs. Viets was a former teacher. She, along with Anna (Hastings) Viets, was a founder of the East Granby Library Association. Mr. Viets was a farmer and tobacco grower. He served in World War I in the 4th Trench Mortar Battery as a private and was in action overseas for one year. He took part in major battles including Chateau Thierry, St. Mehiel, and in the Argonne. He also served in the army of occupation. Mrs. Viets died in 1954. Mr. Viets died August 17, 1963 in Hartford. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery in East Granby. Children:

766. i. Thomas Whitney, born October 14, 1925.
767. ii. Marilyn Priscilla, born December 21, 1927.

562. (David Alexander[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

David Alexander Viets, son of Willard and Mary Alice (Wilson) Viets, was born May 20, 1889 in East Granby. He married June 24, 1915 Frances Barrett, born February 24, 1895 in Hartford, daughter of Allen and Mary (Reigger) Barrett. They resided in Suffield. Mr. Viets died in 1958 and his widow died March 18, 1983 in Suffield. Child:

768. i. Allen David, born December 4, 1916.

563. (Dan Willard[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Dan Willard Viets, son of Willard Wesley and Mary Alice (Wilson) Viets, was born March 20, 1895 in East Granby. He married October 15, 1915 Bertha Marks, born October 9, 1891 in Windsor, daughter of Clarence W. and Margaretta (McKinon) Marks. They resided in East Granby. He died April 15, 1979 in East Granby; Mrs. Viets died there January 17, 1977. Children:

i. Warren Adolph, born July 1, 1917. He resides in East Granby. Unmarried.

From newspaper clipping, no date (1946?)

East Granby

Returns From Far East

Capt. Warren Viets, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Viets returned to his home last Thursday after receiving his honorable discharge from the army at Fort Devens, Mass. He entered the army on April 6, 1942, and had been on overseas duty in India and China the past year.

The return trip from Shanghai to Seattle, Wash., was made on the Anti-Aircraft Carrier USS Anzio, and took twenty days for the entire trip. He has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Ribbon, Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon, the Central Burma Ribbon, two battle stars, one for the battle of Burma and one for the battle of China.

He was also awarded the Award of Merit, the citation reading in part as follows: "Corp. Warren Viets has successfully participated in one of the largest convoys ever to traverse the tedious, treacherous and torturous Stillwell and Burma Roads, as a member of the 382nd Air Service Group, conquering K and C-rations, roads, wind and dust storms, landslides and °impassable' roads in the worst part of the year."

His brother, Private Robert Viets, whom he had not seen for thirty-eight months returned last Monday to Fort Dix, N.J., after spending an 84-day furlough at the home of his parents. He was honorably discharged at Boise, Idaho in October 1945, and has

re-enlisted for three years. Included in the gifts that Warren brought home to his mother was a set of hand-carved ivory pepper and salt shakers from India.

769. ii. Robert LeRoy, born October 3, 1922. [See above article.]
770. iii. Kenneth Wilbur, born January 30, 1925.

564. (Adolph Westley[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Adolph Westley Viets, son of Willard Wesley and Mary Alice (Wilson) Viets, was born August 10, 1901 in East Granby. He married October 21, 1922 Lucy Mae "Mazie" Viets, born June 21, 1903 in East Granby, daughter of Jason Edward and Lucy Adeline (Bacon) Viets. [See No. 226.] Mr. Viets held the office of treasurer of the Viets Association for several years. He served as deputy sheriff. He was also a tobacco grower and dairy farmer. Mr. Viets died September 14, 1963 in East Granby and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery.

Mazie Viets was a school teacher and also ran the East Granby post office for several years. She is an ardent promoter of the Viets Family Association and is always available to help with the family reunions. She was an "interviewee" for the book published by the East Granby Historical Committee: Springman and Guinan, East Granby, the Evolution of a Connecticut Town. Mazie now lives with her daughter in Weldon, Iowa. She has been a great help with the East Granby families in the preparation for this book. I am very grateful for her encouragement and advice. [DVS.] Children:

771. i. Eleanor Lolita, born November 17, 1923.
772. ii. Adolph Westley Jr., born September 9, 1927.

565. (John Harries[7], Dan G.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

John Harries Viets, son of Dan Grove and Carrie (Harris) Viets, was born December 28, 1907 in Hartford. He married February 16, 1939 Mary Louise Blanchette, born in Lowell, Massachusetts, in 1912. She died April 6, 1939 and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery in East Granby. No children.

566. (Beatrice Lois[7], Dan G.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Beatrice Lois Viets, daughter of Dan Grove [known as Harry Lindwood] and Carrie (Harris) Viets, was born September 11, 1913 in Hartford. She married September 2, 1934 William Hugh Burhans, born January 16, 1912 in Windsor, son of Arthur L. and Jenny (McConaghy) Burhans. Resided in East Granby. Children, born in Hartford:

i. William Hugh Burhans Jr., born October 15, 1938.
ii. Peter Viets Burhans, born December 4, 1941.

567. (Russell Mahl[7], P. Frederick[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Russell Mahl Viets, son of Pearl Frederick and Elmira Edna (Mahl) Viets, was born August 29, 1914 in Hartford. He married first, August 5, 1940 Barbara Hough Schleiter, born in Meriden March 14, 1921, daughter of Norman H. and Elizabeth (Daybill) Schleiter. He married second, February 8, 1947 Merle Collier of Washington, D.C., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Williams of Pelahatchie, Mississippi. He was employed by the Department of Agriculture.

From the Hartford Courant, August 9, 1945

Sergeant Russell M. Viets has been awarded the Bronze Star "for meritorius service as a historical writer" with the Historical Section Headquarters in France.

Formerly on the copy desk of the Courant, Sergeant Viets entered the service in August of 1943 and received his basic training at Camp Hood Texas. He was sent overseas in April, 1944. A graduate of Wesleyan University, class of 1936, Sergeant Viets attended the graduate school of Journalism of Columbia University in 1937.

Before entering the Army he was associated with the Department of Agriculture in Washington.

568. (Clara Elizabeth[7], Clarence A.[6], Joseph F.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Clara Elizabeth Viets, daughter of Clarence Austin and Nellie Corey (Hayes) Viets, was born September 6, 1889 in Suffield. She married in Springfield, Massachusetts, May 1, 1907 Myron L. Blinn, born December 14, 1882 in New Britain, son of Frank A. and Ellen (Fisher) Blinn. Mrs. Blinn died August 24, 1927 in New Britain and was buried in Fairview Cemetery there. [Obituary.] Children:

i. Clarence Frank Blinn, born October 11, 1908 in New Britain; died January 5, 1913.
ii. Hollys Muriel Blinn, born September 8, 1917 in Bridgeport; married in Millerton, New York, May 22, 1937 Roger Guibord Moore, born in Springfield, Massachusetts, son of Fred H. and Harriet (Guibord) Moore. Resided in Hartford. No children.

569. (Bertha Louisa[7], Clarence A.[6], Joseph F.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Bertha Louisa Viets, daughter of Clarence Austin and Nellie Corey (Hayes) Viets, was born September 18, 1890 in Suffield. She married in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, August 2, 1909 [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0955102] Howard B. Mack, born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, September 6, 1886, son of Ernest O. and Elizabeth (Wootton) Mack. Resided in Bloomfield, New Jersey. Child:

i. Brindley Austin Mack, born January 14, 1922 in Atlantic, Massachusetts; married November 20, 1943 Ruth Caroline Zeidler. Resided in Bloomfield, New Jersey. Two known children (Mack).

570. (Ruby Elizabeth[7], Francis H.[6], Benjamin E.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ruby Elizabeth Viets, daughter of Francis Hubbard and Mary Elizabeth (Smith) Viets, was born March 5, 1889 in Woodstock. She was a teacher for many years in Massachusetts and abroad. She died January 20, 1948 in Waltham, Massachusetts, unmarried.

Obituary, January 21, 1948, the Hartford Courant?

Miss Ruby Elizabeth Viets, 58, of 122 Dale street, Waltham, prominent in the teaching profession and in the First Congregational Church, died yesterday afternoon following an illness of several months. At the time she was taken ill she was an instructor of English at Waltham High School. She had taught in the English International College in Barcelona, Spain, and in other schools.

She was born in Woodstock, Conn., a daughter of the late Rev. Francis Hubbard Viets and the late Elizabeth (Smith) Viets, and she was a direct descendant of Roger Williams. Her education was in Providence, R.I., schools, continued in Concord, where she was graduated from its high school, and later from the Fitchburg Normal School, now the State Teachers' College. She received her A.B. degree from Radcliffe College and studied at the Breadloaf School of English at Middlebury College, Vermont.

Before going to Barcelona, Spain, Miss Viets taught in the Newton public schools for nine years, and in Spain for three years, returning to this country, she became head of the English Department of the Waltham School for Girls, now the Chapel Hill School. She resigned to join the Waltham High School faculty in 1938.

Miss Viets was a member of the College Club of Boston, the College Club of Waltham, the Appalachian Mountain Club, the Boston Branch of the Foreign Policy Association, and the New England Association of Teachers of English, and a member of the First Congregational Church of Waltham and its Women's Association.

Her father was a retired Congregational minister. He died in 1934 and her mother in 1938. They came to make their home in Waltham in 1915. Surviving are a sister, Miss Marion Viets, a teacher in the Somerville public schools, and two nieces, Mrs. Edwin Ginn of Boston, and Miss Barbara Viets, of New York City. Their only brother died in 1937.

Funeral services will be held in the Wentworth Chapel, 30 Prospect street, Waltham, Saturday, Jan. 24, at 2 P.M., when the Rev. Harold G. Leland, pastor of the First Congregational Church, will officiate.

Cremation will follow in the Newton Cemetery Crematory and burial of the ashes will [be] in Cranston, Rhode Island.

571. (Paul Winthrop[7], Francis H.[6], Benjamin E.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Paul Winthrop Viets, son of Francis Hubbard and Mary Elizabeth (Smith) Viets, was born April 18, 1894 in Woodstock. He married August 19, 1920 Marjorie Lewis Deane, daughter of Judge E. Carter II and Mary (Lewis) Deane.

From the Boston Herald, November 18, 1937

Paul Winthrop Viets, 43, nationally-known expert on industrial relations, died today at his home on Warren Ave., Plymouth, Mass. after a brief illness.

He was a former president of the Massachusetts Industrial Relations Conference, a member of the advisory council on industrial relations of the National Industrial Conference Board of New York, the advisory council of the American Management Association and chairman of the industrial relations committee of the cordage and twine code authority under the N.R.A.

Born in Woodstock, son of the late Rev. Francis H. Viets of Waltham, Mass., he attended Concord, Mass. high school and Massachusetts State college at Amherst and the Massachusetts Institution of Technology.

At the time of his death, he was industrial relations manager of the Plymouth Cordage Company. He was a director of the Arrow Mutual Liability Insurance Company and the Massachusetts League of Credit Unions.

Mr. Viets was a former director of mechanic arts in the Lancaster schools and former industrial superintendent of the Grenfell Association in Labrador. He was a lieutenant in the army during the World War [I] and after the war was associated with division of reconstruction at Walter Reed hospital in Washington, D. C.

He was formerly head of a placement bureau for Massachusetts State college graduates and president of the Eastern College Personnel Association. He was a lecturer on industrial relations at Amherst College, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Boston University.

He was a member of the Plymouth finance board and secretary of the Plymouth Country Club. He was chairman of the parish committee of the First Church in Plymouth.

He leaves his widow, the former Marjorie Dean; his mother, Mrs. Mary E. Viets; two sisters, the Misses Marion and Ruby Viets, and two daughters, the Misses Barbara and Betty Viets. Funeral services will be Sunday afternoon at First Church.

Children, born in Springfield, Massachusetts:

773. i. Elizabeth Winthrop (twin), born March 1, 1923.
774. 2. Barbara Deane (twin), born March 1, 1923.

572. (Dorothy Phelps[7], Scott B.[6], Benjamin E.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Dorothy Phelps Viets, daughter of Scott Benjamin and Chloe M. (Viets) Viets, was born in East Granby February 4, 1892. She married January 12, 1929 George Ahrens, born in East Granby August 14, 1894, son of William and Christina (Kalmbach) Ahrens. Mrs. Ahrens was a graduate of the Hartford Hospital School of Nursing and was a member of the East Granby Congregational Church. Mr. Ahrens died in 1982. Mrs. Ahrens lived in North Granby for 40 years until her death February 19, 1987. Both husband and wife are buried in Elmwood Cemetery in East Granby. No children.

573. (Henry Gervase[7], Julius G.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Henry Gervase Viets, son of Julius G. and Mary P. (Gillett) Viets, was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, July 3, 1855. He married February 25, 1880 Amanda A. Clark of Blandford, Massachusetts. She was born in Becket, Massachusetts, May 9, 1854, daughter of Moses and Caroline (Culver) Clark. Mr. Viets finished school at the Granby academy. On leaving school he farmed on his father's farm in Hungary, in Granby. He was employed as a buyer and handler of leaf tobacco for the firm of E. H. and W. F. Fuller. He served as assessor and tax collector for the town of Granby and was a member of the school board for several years. At the age of twenty-eight he represented the town in the General Assembly session of 1883. He died November 8, 1933.

Mrs. Viets attended Wilbraham Academy and taught for several years. She was always interested in her work as a teacher, her home, and the church of her choice. She was for several years president of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Copper Hill Methodist Church. She died July 22, 1922. They had no children of their own but raised from infancy Mary Viets Phelps (Mrs. Harold B. Cotton), daughter of Mr. Viets' sister, Mary Florence. [See No. 574.]

574. (Mary Florence[7], Julius G.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Florence Viets, daughter of Julius G. and Mary P. (Gillett) Viets, was born in Granby February 18, 1866. She married in 1886 or 1887 Almon B. Phelps of East Granby, born in Sarahsville, Ohio, November 26, 1866, son of Canfield and Mary (Halley) Phelps of Ohio. Mrs. Phelps died August 9, 1897. Mr. Phelps married October 7, 1903 Lena S. Giddings. [Copper Hill Methodist Episcopal Church Records, FHF#0004196.] He died August 8, 1925. Children, born in Copper Hill, East Granby:

i. Nellie Esther Phelps, born October 20, 1887; married first Alfred Madigan, second Charles King, and third Charles Anderson. She died in New Haven March 27, 1938 and was buried in Copper Hill

Cemetery. Two children (Madigan). One child (King).

ii. Mary Viets Phelps, born August 9, 1897; married October 9, 1920 Harold B. Cotton, born in Granby November 20, 1892, son of O. Burdette and Eliza (Griffin) Cotton. Resided in Granby. Mrs. Cotton died in 1963. Six children (Cotton). [See No. 573.]

575. (Gervase Aristarchus[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Gervase Aristarchus Viets, son of Charles R. and Harriet (Griffin) Viets, was born in East Granby July 6, 1856. He married June 27, 1894 Carrie McLane, born in Mt. Carmel December 17, 1873, daughter of Deacon Edward P. and Jane (Andrews) McLane.

Mr. Viets studied at Connecticut Literary Institution, Suffield, and at Wesleyan Academy, Wilbraham, Massachusetts, and after teaching two years entered Drew Theological Seminary, graduating in May 1882. He was ordained to the ministry of the M.E. church at the April session of the New England Conference at Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1882. He served in the Springfield, Massachusetts, area then entered the work of the Congregational Home Missionary Society for the state of Illinois. He later held the pastorate of the Columbia Congregational Church of Cincinnati, Ohio and also of the York Street Church of Newport, Kentucky. Ultimately, he returned East and re-entered the ministry of the M.E. church, being admitted to the New York East Conference, stationed at Redding, Connecticut. He died September 30, 1924 and was buried in Hampden. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children:

775. i. Charles McLane, born December 14, 1897.

ii. Esther Louise, born April 20, 1900 in New Haven. Unmarried.

776. iii. Edwin G., born September 1, 1902.

576. (George Charles[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

George Charles Viets, son of Charles R. and Harriet (Griffin) Viets, was born at Copper Hill, East Granby, May 13, 1864. He married July 14, 1887 Fanny Adams Trowbridge, born in Warren, Massachusetts, May 19, 1866, daughter of Luther Prescott and Fannie Porter (Nelson) Trowbridge. George Viets was a locomotive engineer for the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railway Company, operating on the line between Suffield and Hartford. Mrs. Viets died May 22, 1911; Mr. Viets died December 13, 1921 in Springfield, Massachusetts. Both are buried in Suffield. [Hale, FHF#0003217.] Children:

777. i. Raymond Trowbridge, born December 13, 1891.

ii. Marion, born August 31, 1902 in Suffield. She was graduated from Mount Holyoke College in 1923 and taught mathematics and economics at Berea College, Emma Willard School, and Adelphi College. She earned a master's degree at Columbia University and taught industrial mathematics during World War II in Waterbury, Connecticut. In 1945 she began a 23-year career as a teacher of mathematics at Gardner [Massachusetts] High School,

retiring in 1967. She died January 15, 1988 in Wilbraham, Massachusetts. Her nephew, the Reverend Wallace T. Viets, officiated at her funeral. She was unmarried.

577. (Hiram Wilcox[7], Virgil E.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Hiram Wilcox Viets, son of Virgil Eaton and Mary (Wilcox) Viets, was born in East Granby May 23, 1866. He married October 16, 1893 Laura Abbie Griffin, born in Granby October 23, 1874, daughter of Alfred Henry and Sarah Abbie (Roberts) Griffin of Maine. Mrs. Viets died in Granby March 25, 1925. She was a member of the church at Copper Hill, the school board, and the Granby Civic Club. Children:

778. i. Marjorie Ruth, born May 19, 1897.
779. ii. Virgil Stanley, born March 20, 1908.

578. (Clarabelle T.[7], Virgil E.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Clarabelle T. Viets, daughter of Virgil E. and Mary (Wilcox) Viets, was born in East Granby March 17, 1871. She married July 3, 1918 Frank S. Hamilton, born in Southwick, Massachusetts, son of George W. and Mary E. (Gillett) Hamilton. Clarabelle Viets attended school two years in Wilbraham, Massachusetts, was graduated from Westfield High School, and afterwards attended Mount Holyoke College one year. She was a teacher for a number of years. She died in Westfield, Massachusetts.

579. (Chloe Marietta[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Chloe Marietta Viets, daughter of William Ansel and Sarah F. (Alderman) Viets, was born June 21, 1860 in East Granby. She married Scott Benjamin Viets. [See No. 340.]

580. (Charles Palmer[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Palmer Viets, son of William Ansel and Sarah F. (Alderman) Viets, was born in East Granby June 2, 1863. He married October 17, 1888 in Southwick, Massachusetts, Anna Lucinda Hastings, born March 14, 1863 in Southwick, daughter of Virgil Marvin and Sarah M. (Nettleton) Hastings, daughter of Benjamin Nettleton, an early settler of Lee County, Illinois. Mr. Hastings was one of the earliest settlers of Grant Township near St. Paul, Minnesota. The distinction belongs to him of having built the first frame house in that county. Mr. Viets farmed in East Granby. Mrs. Viets was a member of the Congregational Church. She served as CORRESPONDENT for the Windsor Locks Journal. In 1938 Mr. and Mrs. Viets observed their golden wedding anniversary. He died February 8, 1947; Mrs. Viets died in East Granby June 24, 1951. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby.

From Burpee, History of Hartford County, Connecticut, 1633-1928

What can be achieved on a Connecticut farm, so often abandoned, was heralded throughout the state this year of 1928 when Charles Palmer Viets of the town [East Granby] was one of only three to win a certificate like an honorary degree from the Connecticut Agricultural College, in recognition of service in the advancement of agriculture and rural life. Mr. Viets, a farmer's lad from his birth in 1863, got his schooling in the local schools and at Dr. Beach's in Windsor Locks. At the age of nineteen he started a milk route. In 1888 he married and bought a farm, where he has raised stock and poultry with tobacco as a cash crop. When his son became a partner with him, he made traffic in cattle a side line, helped promote the tuberculin test and was an official and director in organizations formed in the interests of agriculture.

Child:

780. i. Leon Hastings, born September 29, 1890.

581. (Alice Elizabeth[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Alice Elizabeth Viets, daughter of William Ansel and Sarah F. (Alderman) Viets, was born in East Granby June 28, 1874. She married November 10, 1897 James Barlow Rose, son of Mortimer and Lucy (Sheldon) Rose of West Suffield. Mr. Rose was a farmer and tobacco grower in West Suffield. He died there in August 1950. Children, born in West Suffield:

i. Waldo James Rose, born August 22, 1899; died December 26, 1901.
ii. Curtis Viets Rose, born July 17, 1910; married June 29, 1937 Marguerite Louise Bates, born in Springfield, Massachusetts, September 30, 1913, daughter of Waldo H. and Louise (Bull) Bates. They resided in West Suffield. One son (Rose).

582. (Georgie Bates[7], George L.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Georgie Bates Viets, daughter of George Luke and Virginia (Bates) Viets, was born in East Granby November 21, 1870. She attended school two years at the Connecticut Literary Institution in Suffield, three years at the McLean Seminary in Simsbury where she was graduated, and studied two years at the New Britain Normal School. She taught for a number of years in Montclair, New Jersey. She married October 21, 1916 William E. Atwater, born in Westfield, Massachusetts. Mrs. Atwater was living in Westfield in 1960. No children.

583. (Clara Marietta[7], George L.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Clara Marietta Viets, daughter of George Luke and Virginia (Bates) Viets, was born in East Granby January 7, 1878. She was educated at the Connecticut Literary Institution. She married June 8, 1902 Harry B. Hill, born August 8, 1878 in Worcester, Massachusetts. He died in Westfield, Massachusetts, June

14, 1942. Mrs. Hill died September 7, 1958. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. No children.

584. (Bertha May[7], George L.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Bertha May Viets, daughter of George Luke and Virginia (Bates) Viets, was born in East Granby July 15, 1881. She married May 11, 1910 Edmund J. Reed born September 10, 1881 in Ulverton, Quebec, Canada. He died in Suffield August 25, 1913. Mrs. Reed died November 5, 1977. Both are buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. No children.

585. (Carl Hubert Livesey[7], Jennie A.[6], John J.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Carl Hubert Livesey Viets, son of Olin L. and Jennie Abigail (Viets) Livesey, was born in California, October 24, 1890 and was adopted by his uncle, Carl J. Viets in 1903 after his mother died. He married November 29, 1917 Helen Georgia Eames, born in Barnston, Quebec, Canada, January 28, 1888, daughter of Rev. Joseph and Helen (Lamont) Eames. They resided in Santa Barbara, California. Mrs. Viets died January 3, 1945. Mr. Viets died in Santa Barbara, California, June 25, 1945. [VR, California, FHM#6332560.] Children:

i. Ronald Lamont, born November 14, 1918 in New London. Served in World War II.
ii. Mildred Jean, born December 1, 1921 in New London. Married.
iii. Helen Carolyn, born May 7, 1924 in Westerly, Rhode Island. Married.

586. (Mary Crane[7], Hubert W.[6], John J.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Crane Viets, daughter of Hubert Wadsworth and Carrie F. (Crane) Viets, was born in East Granby December 8, 1880. She married March 24, 1909 Elmer William Denison, born August 14, 1877 near Greenfield, Iowa, son of Renaldo and Emma L. (Shirk) Denison. Mr. Denison died September 19, 1916. Mrs. Denison resided in Excelsior, Minnesota. Children:

i. Carolyn Ruth Denison, born August 18, 1911 in Minneapolis, Minnesota; married August 29, 1937 Russell M. Dougherty, born January 22, 1908 in Cumberland, Iowa, son of Charles and Grace Dougherty. Mrs. Dougherty was a teacher before her marriage.
ii. Elmer Wadsworth Denison, born February 8, 1913 in Excelsior, Minnesota; died December 5, 1933.

587. (Emadel[7], Hubert W.[6], John J.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Emadel Viets, daughter of Hubert Wadsworth and Carrie F. (Crane) Viets, was born in East Granby April 16, 1883. She married November 2, 1905 John Douglas Clark, born in West Suffield November 18, 1882, son of Horace D. and Edna Snow (Alderman) Clark. Mr. Clark was president of the Waverly Citrus Growers' Corporation. They resided in Waverly, Florida. Children:

i. Charlotte Sarah Clark, born August 5, 1907 in Crosby, North Dakota; married first _____ Thompson, and second on November 7, 1936 Arthur Stafford, born September 22, 1907 in Blissfield, Michigan, son of Arthur Henry and Fidelia M. (Chamberlin) Stafford. They resided in Waverly, Florida. Two children (Stafford).

ii. Edna Carolyn Clark, born January 1, 1909 in Minneapolis, Minnesota; married August 5, 1937 James Marvin Gee, born February 23, 1910 in Camilla, Georgia, son of John Smallwood and Josie (Holt) Gee. Mr. Gee was in service in 1942. Resided in Waverly, Florida.

iii. John Douglas Clark Jr., born November 8, 1919 in Waverly. He attended Emory College in Georgia. In 1942 he was in service in the U.S. Air Corps.

iv. Horace Dryden Clark, born September 23, 1921 in Waverly. He served in World War II.

588. (**Frederick Henderson**[7], **Frederick H.**[6], **James R.**[5], **John**[4], **Luke**[3], John[2], John[1])

Frederick Henderson Viets Jr., son of Frederick Henderson and Hattie Florence (Baldwin) Viets, was born August 11, 1885 in Lynn, Massachusetts. He married October 5, 1912 Cordelia C. Dexter, born June 17, 1883 in Brookline, Massachusetts, daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Seaverns) Dexter. Mr. Viets died in Newton, Massachusetts, May 21, 1965. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0954855.] Children:

i. Jonathan Dexter, born January 26, 1915 in Manchester, New Hampshire. Unmarried.

781. ii. Katharine, born February 16, 1922.

589. (**Howard Thompson**[7], **Frederick H.**[6], **James R.**[5], **John**[4], **Luke**[3], John[2], John[1])

Howard Thompson Viets, son of Frederick Henderson and Hattie Florence (Baldwin) Viets, was born in Lynn, Massachusetts, December 5, 1886. He married in Arlington, Massachusetts, September 8, 1914 Judith Delano Everett, born November 9, 1891 in Roxbury, Massachusetts, daughter of Theodore and Luna (Vickery) Everett. He was graduated from Harvard in 1909. Mr. Viets was head of the Business English Department of Syracuse University. Resided in Syracuse, New York. Children, born in New York City:

i. Barbara, born January 16, 1922. She was graduated from Northfield Academy, and attended Syracuse University.

ii. Priscilla, born December 16, 1926.

590. (**Edward Lincoln**[7], **Frederick H.**[6], **James R.**[5], **John**[4], **Luke**[3], John[2], John[1])

Edward Lincoln Viets, son of Frederick Henderson and Hattie Florence (Baldwin) Viets, was born May 6, 1888 in Lynn, Massachusetts. He married November 28, 1911 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Marguerite Jane Grier, born in Moncton,

New Brunswick, Canada, daughter of George John and Julia (Bartram) Grier. Mr. Viets was graduated from Harvard University in 1911. He was secretary-treasurer of the Service Recorder in Cleveland for many years. He composed a number of poems, as well as music and lyrics. Children, born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

i. Edward Lincoln Jr., born July 1, 1915. He was a captain in the U.S. Army in World War II and was wounded in Okinawa. He graduated from Harvard in 1932. He lives in Cleveland. Unmarried.
ii. John Bartram, born May 5, 1917. He graduated from Harvard in 1938. He was a 1st Lieutenant, a B-17 pilot, in World War II. He was shot down and a prisoner of the Nazis for thirteen months. He resides in Cleveland. Unmarried.

591. (John Bartlett[7], Frederick H.[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

John Bartlett Viets, son of Frederick Henderson and Grace Elizabeth (Trask) Viets, was born in Arlington, Massachusetts, March 20, 1900. He married June 17, 1927 Natalie Valleau Noyes, born August 26, 1899 in Elmira, New York, daughter of Harry Albert and Lillian (Valleau) Noyes. Mr. Viets served in World War I in France, enlisting before he was eighteen years of age. He was graduated from Harvard University in 1922. He died December 20, 1971. Mrs. Viets resides in Hyde Park, Vermont, with her pet, "Kitty." Nearing the age of 90 she is yet an avid gardener. She contributed much material on the Frederick Henderson Viets family. Children:

782 i. John Bartlett Jr., born May 4, 1929.
783. ii. Richard Noyes, born November 10, 1930.
784. iii. Breckenridge Trask, born February 2, 1934.

592. (Dorothy[7], Arthur E.[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Dorothy Viets, daughter of Arthur Eno and Harriet (Heathcote) Viets, was born in Lynn, Massachusetts, August 10, 1903. She married in Cambridge, Massachusetts, September 28, 1940 Norman Prescott Randlett, born in Laconia, New Hampshire, July 14, 1900, son of Arthur Clarence Smith Randlett, a native of Belmont, New Hampshire, and Ida E. (Brenton) Randlett, a native of Hull, Massachusetts. They resided in Laconia, New Hampshire. Child:

i. Marcia Prescott Randlett, born November 12, 1942 in Laconia.

593. (Richard Byron[7], George B.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Richard Byron Viets, son of George Byron and Wilmina (Joyce) Viets, was born in Dakota City, Nebraska, December 25, 1870. He married November 1, 1893 Alice B. Tryon, born in South Glastonbury, Connecticut, April 6, 1874, daughter of William and Susan (Bell) Tryon. Mrs. Viets was killed by railroad cars in New Britain March 21, 1917. Mr. Viets married second, April 4, 1918 Mrs. Harriet Zitella (Birge) Dickerman, widow of Fred A. Dickerman. Mr.

Dickerman died in a horse-shoeing accident, December 22, 1916. They were the parents of a daughter, Evelyn Zitella Dickerman, born December 10, 1916, whom Mr. Viets adopted. Mrs. Viets was born March 9, 1889 in Windsor Locks, daughter of Willis Henry and Hattie (Montgomery) Birge. Willis Henry Birge was the son of Eliza Ann (Viets) Birge. [See No. 365. - Data from Maria Altmansberger, Tacoma, Washington, grandniece of Richard Byron Viets.]

Mr. Viets operated the Viets Flower Shop for thirty years, first in New Britain and then in Plainville. In 1956, at age 85 he was awarded the gift for being the oldest person present at the Viets reunion. He died about 1957. [Obituary.] Child, by first marriage:

785. i. Estella May, born November 14, 1894.

594. (Anson Eno[7], George B.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Anson Eno Viets, son of George Byron and Wilmina (Joyce) Viets, was born in Dakota City, Nebraska, July 17, 1877. He attended the schools in his home town after which he took a course at the Morse Business College in Hartford, Connecticut. He than entered the office of the Stanley Works in New Britain where he remained for several years. He had a great desire for knowledge, was fond of travel, and had traveled much in this country as well as abroad. He was one of the promoters of the Viets' family reunion, took a deep interest in all the affairs of the Association, and served as its secretary up to the time of his death, April 27, 1938. He was a good businessman, a man with many friends, and a fond husband and father. He married Frances M. Hurley in 1915 in Holliston, Massachusetts.

Obituary, the Springfield, Massachusetts, Union, April 27, 1938

Anson E. Viets, president and treasurer of the New Method Finance Corporation, died at his home at 43 Florentine Gardens early this morning after a long illness. He was born in Dakota City, Nebraska, July 17, 1877 and started the finance company in 1915 with the head office in this city and branches in Worcester and Providence, Rhode Island. Prior to that time he was for many years connected with the International Correspondence School in Scranton, Pa., working up from the field to manager of the stock sales in New England. While associated with the correspondence school he resided in Holliston for seven years just before he moved to this city. He was one of the founders of the Viets Family Reunion of Granby, Conn.

Mr. Viets was a member of Springfield Lodge of Masons, Aleppo Shrine of Boston, Quinsigamond Lodge, I.O.O.F. of Worcester, and was a past patron of the order of the Eastern Star of Springfield. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Frances M. Viets, two daughters, Miss Frances E., a student at American International College and Miss Marion A., a student at Cushing Academy. The deceased was buried in Springfield.

Children:

i. Wilmina Frances, born September 30, 1917 in Holliston, Massachusetts; died July 10, 1918.
786. ii. Frances Elizabeth, born July 22, 1919.
787. iii. Marion Alicia, born July 26, 1922.

595. (John Joyce[7], George B.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

John Joyce Viets, son of George Byron and Wilmina (Joyce) Viets, was born in Dakota City, Nebraska, February 17, 1879. He married September 29, 1910 Ida Bodenbender, born November 6, 1881 in Dakota City. Mrs. Viets died in Wethersfield, Connecticut, September 26, 1928. Mr. Viets married second Agnes Ryan, daughter of John E. and Ellen (Sherry) Ryan who died in Hartford September 14, 1942. He married third Mrs. Anna (Myers) Brewer. He was a salesman for the Capitol Candy Company of Hartford. Mr. Viets resided in Manchester; he died in Hartford hospital on his 70th birthday, February 17, 1949. No children.

596. (Delia M.[7], Alfred W.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Delia M. Viets, daughter of Alfred Watson and Lillie (Gardner) Viets, was born in Fairmount, North Dakota, September 18, 1886. She married first, on September 30, 1908 Archie T. Coppin of Wahpeton, North Dakota, born June 24, 1884 in Wahpeton. She married second, Harry Larusson. She died August 29, 1936 in an automobile accident near Woodbury, Connecticut. She was buried in Thomaston. Children:

i. Alfred Floyd Coppin, born October 1909 in Missoula, Montana; died in infancy.
ii. Allen Hale Coppin, born July 9, 1911 in Minneapolis, Minnesota; married April 27, 1936 Esther Odberg, born in New Folden, Minnesota, April 25, 1910, daughter of John Martin and Marie (Allum) Odberg. Resided in Minneapolis. Two children (Coppin).

597. (Elwyn Alfred[7], Alfred W.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Elwyn Alfred Viets, son of Alfred Watson and Lillie (Gardner) Viets, was born in Fairmount, North Dakota, April 18, 1888. He married June 15, 1920 Phoebe C. Hildenbrand, born April 8, 1883 in Brooklyn, New York, daughter of George and Phoebe (Schuman) Hildenbrand. Mr. Viets died in his home in Thomaston, Connecticut, January 20, 1937. His widow died June 28, 1948 in Thomaston. Children:

i. Charles Elwyn, born May 5, 1921 in Brooklyn, New York. In service in World War II. Missing in action.
ii. Paul Royal, born August 27, 1925 in Hartford; died December 25, 1944 in World War II.
788. iii. Roland Alfred Lewis, born April 19, 1927.

598. (Ena Mae[7], Alfred W.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Ena Mae Viets, daughter of Alfred Watson and Lillie (Gardner) Viets, was born in Fairmount, North Dakota, August 9, 1889. She married in 1913 John D. Gudger of Wahpeton, North Dakota. She was a teacher before her marriage. She died in Minneapolis April 2, 1937. Children:

i. John Dave Gudger, died in childhood.
ii. James Dale Gudger, born May 1918. He died in June 1944 when the aircraft he was piloting was shot down overseas in World War II.
iii. John David Gudger, born 1926. He was in service during World War II, stationed in California.

599. (Floyd G.[7], Alfred W.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Floyd G. Viets, son of Alfred Watson and Lillie (Gardner) Viets, was born in Fairmount, North Dakota, October 20, 1890. He married November 1, 1916 Ella Betsy Dunstrand, born November 14, 1894 in Sabin, Minnesota, daughter of John and Annie (Ellingson) Dunstrand. Resided in Minneapolis, Minnesota. No children.

600. (Hermia G.[7], Alfred W.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Hermia G. Viets, daughter of Alfred Watson and Lillie (Gardner) Viets, was born in Fairmount, North Dakota, April 25, 1893. She married May 20, 1915 Harold Atherton, born November 14, 1893 in Salamanca, New York, son of Horace G. and Clara (Totty) Atherton. Resided in Thomaston, Connecticut. Children:

i. Helen Hermia Atherton, born March 22, 1916 in Walden, New York; died in Thomaston, Connecticut, July 11, 1942. Unmarried.
ii. Clifford Harold Atherton, born April 30, 1919 in Thomaston; married July 16, 1938 Flora M. Wellman, born July 15, 1921 in Waterbury, daughter of H. Carl and Marian (Dailey) Wellman. One son (Atherton).
iii. Leroy Robert Atherton, born July 17, 1925 in Waterbury.
iv. Donna Marie Atherton, born November 25, 1932 in Waterbury.

601. (Genevieve[7], Alfred W.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Genevieve Viets, daughter of Alfred Watson and Lillie (Gardner) Viets, was born in Fairmount, North Dakota, December 28, 1895. She married August 18, 1916 Edward Owen, born in Montgomery, New York, December 1, 1886, son of William and Irene (Crans) Owen. Resided in Walden, New York. Children, born in Walden:

i. Elmer Viets Owen, born March 18, 1918. Joined the army in 1938 and was stationed at Fort Tilden, New York.
ii. Raymond Floyd Owen, born November 24, 1920; married June 15, 1941 Marie Ditta.

iii. Robert Edward Owen, born December 8, 1922. He was in the army in 1941 and in a medical unit in California in 1945.
iv. Donald Alfred Owen, born July 10, 1925.
v. Norman Douglas Owen, born January 9, 1931. He was in the coast guard in 1945.

602. (Vienna Lorinda[7], Seth A.[6], Allen[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Vienna Lorinda Viets, daughter of Seth Allen and Mary Jane (Rowley) Viets, was born May 11, 1872 in West Suffield. She married September 12, 1899 George Letts Smith, born October 22, 1858 in Lexington, Ohio, son of Charles Anson and Ellen Jane (Viets) Smith. [See No. 316.] Mr. Smith was a tobacco grower in Suffield. He died September 12, 1930 in Springfield, Massachusetts. Mrs. Smith died April 16, 1958. Children, born in Suffield:

i. Esther Viola Smith, born January 14, 1901; married in Springfield, January 6, 1923 Ernest West, born in Somerville, Massachusetts, son of Charles and Edna West. No children.
ii. George Leslie Smith, born April 27, 1903; died February 17, 1924 in Springfield.
iii. Floyd Douglas Smith, born July 12, 1905; married May 30, 1941 in Hartford, Victoria Hoffman, born October 17, 1909 in West Suffield, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Dennison) Hoffman. Resided in Hartford.
iv. Arline Marie Smith, born October 26, 1907. Unmarried.
v. Gordon Mills Smith, born October 21, 1910; married April 10, 1942 Arline Alice Barry, born September 11, 1920 in Hartford, daughter of Joseph and Maud (Matson) Berry. Mr. Smith entered army training camp in December 1942 and went overseas in July 1944. He was stationed in Italy, France, and Germany. One son (Smith).
vi. Harriett Eloise Smith, born April 5, 1912; married in Millerton, New York, July 4, 1936 William Halliday Jones, born February 24, 1910 in Eccles, England, son of Fred and Bertha (Halliday) Jones. Resided in Lake Garda, Connecticut. One daughter (Jones).

603. (Harriet Isabella[7], Seth A.[6], Allen[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Harriet Isabella Viets, daughter of Seth Allen and Mary Jane (Rowley) Viets, was born May 26, 1874 in Suffield and died September 18, 1953 in a nursing home in Glastonbury. She did not live to see her manuscript on the Viets family published. In the material she left was a tiny spiral notebook in which she had set down a few thoughts, hand written in pencil as a preface to her book. This was surely a rough draft as her manuscript was all carefully hand-printed in ink, with any errors in printing carefully corrected.

In this preface she wrote:

> After a visit to Newgate Prison and home of Capt. John Viets in 1935 the compiler [herself] became more deeply interested in the Viets family. After a few months I felt that the Genealogy that had been published in

1902 should be written up to date as there was much to be added in 36 years. Consequently the following year the work of doing this was begun.

Certainly had it been known what a task lay ahead the compiler would never have attempted it. It has been a long laborious task, although it has afforded much pleasure in the acquaintances and friends gained by doing it.

The writer in nearly every case has tried to get the records from living members direct, but as in all families there are some who are not interested so consequently they had to be omitted. . . .

From a letter to DVS, January 5, 1989 from Charles Kingsbury, grandnephew of H. Isabel Viets:

. . . Harriet Isabella Viets was her correct name; however, she always went by H. Isabel Viets or Isabel (Miss Viets to many) and to our family was always "Aunt Isabel." She was your typical maiden lady (old maid). If she were here today I'm sure she would scoff at "Ms." and prefer to be called "Miss."

Slight of build and only about five feet tall, she wore her gray hair in a braid rolled on top of her head, had wire rim glasses and wore black tie shoes. Typical dress of the day for the senior citizen, I guess.

She lived in the Hartford area as long as I can remember. She did live with my family for a while but preferred to live alone. Much of the time I can remember she lived in a two room apartment on the second floor on Vine Street in Hartford, furnished with a few family antiques and cooked her meals on a hot plate. She loved to play "Chinese checkers" and took great pride in winning although I can remember beating her on a few occasions much to her disappointment.

She was a very frugal person having limited funds which were quite small even by today's standards. She probably spent most of her money on postage stamps as you can probably tell from her material that I gave you. She was a former school teacher who devoted her later years to her Genealogy and corresponding with relatives all over the country, as well as making several trips to the library gathering information and writing it down longhand (printed), occasionally asking my sister Judith to type it for her. She always carried her cloth bag and would take the bus and come and visit, often bringing along the correspondence so my mother and our family could read it and feel a part of her work I guess.

I am sure she took great pride in her work and received much pleasure in gathering the information on others while trying to put the pieces together. I really think she felt she would accomplish this, not realizing the monumental task which you are now seeing to fruition, and one which we should be thankful for.

The strange part of all this is that for one who spent so much time gathering this information on others she was a private person to the end. It was her request that she be cremated and there be no "publicity" of her death. . . .

**604. (Laura Mary[7], Seth A.[6], Allen[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])**

Laura Mary Viets, daughter of Seth Allen and Mary Jane (Rowley) Viets, was born in West Suffield May 18, 1879. She married in South Windsor, September 28, 1907 Frederick M. Southergill, born May 3, 1875, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Rockwell) Southergill. Mr. Southergill died May 28, 1917 and his widow died June 8, 1947. Children:

i. Elizabeth Viets Southergill, born April 12, 1910 in East Windsor Hill; married Lewis A. Kingsbury, born in Hartford May 25, 1903, son of Albert N. and Sarah B. (Leppens) Kingsbury. Mrs. Kingsbury died January 31, 1952. Mr. Kingsbury died August 12, 1961. Three children (Kingsbury). Their son, Charles Kingsbury, gave the data collected by H. Isabel Viets to DVS and much of it has been used in the preparation of this book.

ii. Rockwell Mills Southergill, born August 20, 1915; married November 30, 1939 Nelle Scavullo, born September 6, 1911.

## EIGHTH GENERATION

**605.** (Louise Eleanor[8], Henry L.[7], Henry S.[6], Henry[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Louise Eleanor Viets, daughter of Henry Little and Gertrude (Van Evera) Viets, was born in Grinnell, Iowa, October 22, 1906. She married first, June 11, 1934 A. R. Thompson, second, on June 21, 1946, Russell W. Frisbie. Child:

i. Barbara Eleanor Thompson, born January 8, 1937 in Long Beach, California.

**606.** (Henry Edwin[8], Henry L.[7], Henry S.[6], Henry[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Henry Edwin Viets, son of Henry Little and Gertrude (Van Evera) Viets, was born in Grinnell, Iowa, April 14, 1909. He married July 28, 1931 Helen Borden, born at Cape May, New Jersey, May 19, 1908, daughter of Evart Peter and Bertha May (Hand) Borden. Mr. Viets was a safety engineer in a gold mine. Resided in Grass Valley, California. He died in Los Angeles County, May 15, 1971. [VR, California, FHM#6332563.] Children:

789. i. Henry Granville, born October 5, 1935.
ii. Nancy Kathryn, born September 13, 1939 in Grass Valley, California. She married Gerald D. Thompson, July 7, 1962 in Los Angeles County. [VR, California, FHM#6332554.]

**607.** (Clarence Russell[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Clarence Russell Viets, son of Francis and Frances E. (Tift) Viets, was born August 30, 1876 in Southington, Ohio; married April 19, 1896 Mary E. Harshman, daughter of Charles and Eda A. (White) Harshman. Mr. Viets received his early education in the township schools and attended Nelson, Ohio, High School. He was a farmer and fruit grower. He farmed 107 acres, which was a part of the 1400 acres which his great-great-grandfather (Luke Viets) purchased in 1805 when he settled in Southington Township.

Mr. Viets was an active Republican and served for three years as assessor of his township, eight years on the school board, and several years as trustee of the township. He was an active member of the Knights of Pythias and a charter member of the Southington Grange, having served as its first secretary. Both Mr. and Mrs. Viets were members of the Methodist Church in Southington and took an active and leading part in its local work. [Upton, History of Trumbull County, Ohio.] Mrs. Viets died in their home on February 10, 1945. Mr. Viets died in 1973. Children, born in Southington:

i. Dale, born March 15, 1897; died January 1899.
790. ii. Clarence Roger, born November 23, 1899.
791. iii. Gladys B., born May 23, 1902.
792. iv. Sadie N., born February 3, 1905.
793. v. Charles Francis, born February 3, 1909.
794. vi. Vera B., born February 24, 1913.
vii. Mary E., born February 22, 1916; died 1970 unmarried [Trumbull County, Ohio, Cemetery Records].
795. viii. Sylvia M., born June 17, 1918.
796. ix. Alice B., born October 1, 1922.

Note: Eugene Wells, Hal Herbert [No. 611], Frederick Hill [No. 612], and their uncle Loren E. [No. 381] spelled their name Veits.

608. (Eugene Wells[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Eugene Wells Veits [sic], son of Francis and Frances E. (Tift) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, July 21, 1878; married June 20, 1897 Effie B. Hoffman, born September 6, 1880 in Southington, daughter of Peter and Pauline (Craver) Hoffman. Mr. Veits was a farmer in Southington. He died there September 5, 1972. Mrs. Veits died May 3, 1957. Children:

797. i. Kenneth Eugene, born July 15, 1898.
798. ii. LaVerne Pauline, born May 6, 1904.
799. iii. LaVere Frances, born February 21, 1906.
800. iv. Emma Lozetta, born March 14, 1909.
801. v. Harlan Russell, born May 30, 1911.
802. vi. Willard Lyle, born March 27, 1915.
803. vii. Ruth Arline, born June 9, 1917.
804. viii. Wilma Helen, born April 30, 1919.
805. ix. Jean Evelyn, born November 3, 1924.

609. (Todd F.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Todd F. Viets, son of Francis and Frances E. (Tift) Viets, was born July 16, 1881 in Southington, Ohio. He married first, in Trumbull County, Ohio, September 23, 1902 Mabel Eugenia Thorp, born August 27, 1881 in Southington, daughter of Edward and Augusta (Jones) Thorp. He married second, August 25, 1910 Ruth Florence Loomis, born June 17, 1892 in Los Angeles, daughter of Lester Grant and Grace (Williams) Loomis. They resided in San Bernardino, California. Mr. Viets died there December 13, 1957. [VR, California, FHM#6332561.] Mrs. Viets died July 16, 1967. [VR, California, FHM#6332562.] Children, by second marriage:

806. i. Hazel Frances, born April 23, 1911.
807. ii. Grace Florence, born March 27, 1913.
808. iii. Rose Luella, born April 28, 1915.
809. iv. Lois LaVerne, born November 10, 1926.

610. (Clarissa Belle[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Clarissa Belle Viets, daughter of Francis and Frances E. (Tift) Viets, was born July 2, 1883 in Southington, Ohio. She married August 29, 1903 Calvin F. Leiby, born August 31, 1880 in Braceville, Ohio, son of John and Elizabeth (Mowery) Leiby. They resided in Southington. Children:

i. Calvin Harold Leiby, born June 1, 1905 in Braceville; married January 2, 1925 Althea Johnson, born September 17, 1905 in Champion, Ohio, daughter of Randall and May Belle (Johnson) Johnson. Four children (Leiby).
ii. Velma E. Leiby, born April 6, 1910 in Niles, Ohio; married September 12, 1928 Charles Bixler, born March 5, 1906 at Mineral Ridge, Ohio, son of Leander and Edith (Budd) Bixler. They resided in Warren, Ohio.
iii. Donald J. Leiby, born March 17, 1913 in Deforest, Ohio; married May 29, 1936 Shirley Noble, born April 20, 1917 in Williamsburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of Palmer and Edna (Ginter) Noble.
iv. Jeannette E. Leiby, born January 12, 1922 in Southington, Ohio. She married September 19, 1942 in Southington, Dean Jefferson Hurd.

611. (Hal Herbert[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Hal Herbert Veits [sic], son of Francis and Frances E. (Tift) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, September 8, 1886; married June 9, 1907 Anna May Plott, born May 21, 1889 in Southington, daughter of Henry E. and Emma (Rudisel) Plott. Mr. Veits died March 3, 1957. They resided in Southington. Children, born in Southington:

810. i. Dallas Todd, born December 24, 1909.
ii. Lottie Luella, born February 20, 1913. Unmarried.
811. iii. Russell Eli, born April 21, 1915.
812. iv. Annamae, born April 10, 1921.

612. (Frederick Hill[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Frederick Hill Veits [sic] [see note before No. 608], son of Francis and Frances E. (Tift) Viets, was born January 21, 1889 in Southington, Ohio; married in Farmington, Ohio, January 24, 1910 Mildred Dee Wilcox, born September 12, 1891 in Farmington, daughter of Howard and Flora (Harshman) Wilcox. Children:

813. i. William Eugene, born July 28, 1921.
814. ii. Janice Marjorie, born March 13, 1924.

613. (Joseph McKinley[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Joseph McKinley Viets, son of Francis and Frances E. (Tift) Viets, was born July 30, 1896 in Nelson, Portage County, Ohio; married October 13, 1914 Hazel Eliza Lower, born April 21, 1897 in Hicksville, Ohio, daughter of William S. and Lodema (Bungard) Lower. In 1940 Mr. Viets is listed as ticket clerk for the Erie Railroad. [Cleveland City Directory.] They resided in Garrettsville, Ohio. Mr. Viets died May 9, 1959; his widow died November 9, 1962. Children:

815. i. Joseph Wayne, born July 5, 1915.
816. ii. Mildred Irene, born July 11, 1917.
817. iii. Verabelle, born October 17, 1919.
818. iv. Robert Charles, born November 22, 1921.
819 v. Bonita June, born May 9, 1924.
820. vi. Lyle William, born May 16, 1926.
821. vii. Loren Richard, born July 8, 1927.
822. viii. James LeRoy, born November 22, 1928.
823. ix. Joanne Lodema, born February 8, 1932.
824. x. Marilyn Hazel, born August 10, 1933.
825. xi. Norman Todd, born April 20, 1935.

614. (Jennie R.[8], Loren E.[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Jennie R. Veits [sic], daughter of Loren E. and Harriet Amanda (Smalley) Veits, was born October 22, 1883 in Nelson, Ohio. She married in 1906 James Brown, born August 20, 1875 in Chicago, Illinois, son of Joshua J. and Eudora (Morgan) Brown. Mrs. Brown died March 5, 1939; Mr. Brown died early in 1948. They resided in Saugatuck, Michigan. Children, born in Saugatuck:

i. Beatrice Brown, born June 20, 1907; married September 21, 1930 Harold Finch, born September 12, 1908 in Holland, Michigan, son of Charles and Clara (Stevenson) Finch. They were divorced in 1938. One daughter (Finch).
ii. Richard M. Brown, born April 13, 1910.

615. (Lowell C.[8], Melvin G.[7], Henry[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Lowell C. Viets, son of Melvin Guy and Dora B. (White) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, November 10, 1898; married first about 1917 Mary Stollar of Warren, Ohio, who died in 1920. He married second Myrtle Mollett who died 192_. Mr. Viets died in 193_. Children, by first marriage:

i. Ruth H., born 1918; died 1920.
ii. William M., born 1920.

By second marriage:

iii. Vera L., born 1922.
826. iv. Lowell C., born 1923.
v. Margaret, born 1925.
vi. Betty Jean, born 1927.

616. (Emerson[8], Melvin G.[7], Henry[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Emerson Viets, son of Melvin Guy and Dora B. (White) Viets, was born January 1, 1908 in Warren, Ohio. He married in 1952 Lucille Corbin, born in 1914 in Pennsylvania, daughter of Arthur and _____ (Shaw) Corbin. He was a wholesale mortgage broker. He is retired and resides in Warren, Ohio. [Letter, 1986.] No children.

617. (Harlie Clyde[8], Charles B.[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Harlie Clyde Viets, son of Charles Bolles and Lena (Langvardt) Viets, was born January 13, 1903 in Alta Vista, Kansas; married first on May 12, 1926 Ruth Jordan, born May 2, 1908 in Palacios, Texas, daughter of Darrell and Katie (Garnett) Jordan. He married second on August 28, 1937 Muriel Mariah Harwood, born April 1, 1913 in Gonzales, Texas, daughter of George and Sallie J. (Cooley) Harwood. They were divorced May 24, 1965. Mr. Viets married as his third wife, Lucy Mae (Smith) Simpson October 23, 1976. She was born March 29, 1912 in Austin, Texas. She had five children by her first marriage to Robert Simpson. She died September 13, 1982 in Palacios. Mr. Viets died December 12, 1987 in Victoria, Texas. Children, by first marriage:

827. i. Myrtle Lorena, born June 27, 1927.
828. ii. Gerard Benjamin, born January 25, 1930.

By second marriage:

829. iii. Charles George, born March 12, 1939.
830. iv. Shirley Jeanne born September 28, 1940.
831. v. Mary Ann, born April 1, 1944.

618. (Minnie Myrtle[8], Charles B.[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Minnie Myrtle Viets, daughter of Charles Bolles and Lena (Langvardt) Viets, was born July 7, 1905 in Alta Vista, Kansas. She married June 13, 1925 Daniel Maynard Green. They reside in Palacios, Texas. Children, born in Palacios:

i. Anita Lynn Green, born April 14, 1934.
ii. Lila Kay Green, born April 14, 1937.

619. (Merle August[8], Charles B.[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Merle August Viets, son of Charles Bolles and Lena (Langvardt) Viets, was born June 30, 1910 in Palacios, Texas. He married first August 31, 1935 Alma Loyce Farthing, born November 27, 1914 in Alden Bridge, Louisiana, daughter of W. H. and Bertha B. (Lee) Farthing. He married second Helen Marie Walters. They live in Palacios, Texas. Children, by first marriage:

i. Phillip Wayne, born January 5, 1937 in Palacios.

By second marriage:

832. ii. Michael Merle, born August 18, 1948.

620. (Charles Ralph[8], Ralph H.[7], Chauncey H.[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Charles Ralph Viets, son of Ralph H. and Nellie L. (Graham) Viets, was born July 5, 1916 in Rocky River, Ohio. He married on June 29, 1939 in Cleveland Jane L. Robbins, born May 7, 1919 in Mansfield, Ohio, daughter of Paul Hubley and Helen L. (Wheatro) Robbins. Mr. Viets served in the United States Coast Guard. He was a policeman in Lakewood, Ohio. He died November 25, 1975 in Cleveland. Mrs. Viets is a dental assistant and realtor. She lives in Grafton, Ohio. Children, born in Lakewood, Ohio:

i. Thomas C., born October 18, 1943; married Wendy Albers.
ii. Robert M., born April 16, 1948; married Patricia L. Marquard.

621. (Richard Lyle[8], Homer E.[7], Charles F.[6], Ezekiel[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Richard Lyle Viets, son of Homer Everett and Veda Irene (Ledbetter) Viets, was born January 16, 1932 in Richmond, California. He married first in Albany, California, May 22, 1953 Mary Elizabeth Dows, daughter of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Samuel Randall Dows. Two sons. He married second on March 31, 1978 in Sacramento Helen D. (Schroeter) Basanich [VR, California, FHM#6332558]. Mr. Viets is an attorney in Sacramento.

622. (Jason Edward[8], Morgan J.[7], Jason E.[6], Jason R.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Jason Edward Viets II, son of Morgan Jason and Elsa Lydia (Belden) Viets, was born in Hartford February 11, 1939; married Bernice Lloyd. Mr. Viets works for the Connecticut State Department of Highways. They live in West Suffield. Children:

i. Troy, born January 23, 1962.
ii. Tracy, born January 7, 1963.
iii. Tina, born December 23, 1963.
iv. Todd, born September 8, 1967.

623. (Mary Lucy[8], Morgan J.[7], Jason E.[6], Jason R.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Mary Lucy Viets, daughter of Morgan Jason and Elsa Lydia (Belden) Viets, was born in Hartford June 14, 1944; married George Burgess. Children:

i. Denise Burgess, born March 26, 1966.
ii. Dawn Burgess, born November 24, 1967.

624. (Roy Charles[8], Morgan J.[7], Jason E.[6], Jason R.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Roy Charles Viets, son of Morgan Jason and Elsa Lydia (Belden) Viets, was born in Hartford January 6, 1946; he married Linda M. Bilts in Westfield, Massachusettts, in 1965. Mr. Viets works for the Connecticut State Department of Highways. Children:

i. Ann Marie, born December 30, 1966. She married 20 September 1986 Donald Freeman.
ii. Jason Morgan, born December 29, 1967.
iii. John Paul, born October 9, 1972.

625. (Fred Morgan[8], Morgan J.[7], Jason E.[6], Jason R.[5], Festus[4], James[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Fred Morgan Viets, son of Morgan Jason and Elsa Lydia (Belden) Viets, was born in Hartford March 12, 1948. He married first, November 14, 1981 Amanda Ann Woodworth and second, Ann _____. They reside in East Windsor. Children:

i. Tammie.
ii. Christine.

626. (Mabel Estelle[8], Elijah A. J.[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Mabel Estelle Viets, daughter of Elijah A. J. and Ella (Coble) Viets, was born September 25, 1889 in Yorkshire, Ohio; married first, December 17, 1907 Leighton C. Eddy. She married second, March 12, 1918 John C. Menke, born September 1, 1892 and died February 6, 1937. Mrs. Menke resided in Toledo, Ohio. Child:

i. Ella Kathryn Jane Eddy, born May 30, 1911 in Toledo; died January 23, 1919.

627. (Wando Adelbert[8], William[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Wando Adelbert Viets, son of William and Catherine (Beard) Viets, was born September 15, 1886 in Osgood, Ohio. He married first in 1912 Flora Bevins in New York City. They were divorced and he married June 16, 1919 Bernice Orcutt Taft, born June 15, 1892 in Concord, Massachusetts, daughter of Frank W. and Mary (Monte) Taft. Mr. Viets died in Salem, New Hampshire. Mrs. Viets died in Andover, Massachusetts, in 1960. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0954762.] Child:

833. i. Wando Adelbert Jr., born April 13, 1920.

628. (Melvin[8], William[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Melvin Viets, son of William and Catherine (Beard) Viets, was born November 25, 1889 in Clark County, Ohio; married May 25, 1912 Beatrice Hurd, born April 17, 1889 in South Vienna, Ohio. He died in Dayton, Ohio. Child:

834. i. Charles William, born March 29, 1913.

629. (Clifford[8], William[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Clifford Viets, son of William and Catherine (Beard) Viets, was born July 24, 1892 in Clark County, Ohio; married August 1918 Matie Redman, who died in 1919. He registered for service in World War I before June 5, 1917. [Middleton, History of Champaign County, Ohio.] Mr. Viets died in Urbana, Ohio. No children.

630. (Leaffie Forest[8], William[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Leaffie Forest Viets, daughter of William and Catherine (Beard) Viets, was born September 22, 1899 in Clark County, Ohio; married July 23, 1917 Lyman Hanibald Sells, born March 20, 1896 in Franklin County, Ohio, son of Jacob and Catherine (Wright) Sells. Mr. Sells died November 24, 1984. [Letter from Leaffie Forest (Viets) Sells, June 1986.] Mrs. Sells resided in Urbana, Ohio, in 1986. Children, born in Urbana, Ohio:

i. Richard Sells, born May 11, 1917. Married.
ii. William Sells, born June 14, 1919. Married.
iii. Raymond Sells, born January 7, 1921; died October 28, 1957.
iv. John Harold Sells, born April 9, 1923. He married June 28, 1946 Isabel Tommy Finlay, born March 2, 1924 in Mechanicsburg, Ohio, daughter of Tilden and Mollie (Pratt) Finlay.
v. Forrest L. Sells born November 23, 1924. He married first June Taylor; married second November 9, 1966 Goldie J. Rust, born May 29, 1930, daughter of C. H. and Flossie (Glick) Jordan. Her first

husband was Daniel Rust. Mr. Sells was unmarried in 1985.

vi. Beatrice Catherine Sells, born November 25, 1926; married December 28, 1945 Louis Elwood Jewell, born December 2, 1924 in West Liberty, Ohio, son of Albert William and Rosa Marie (Faughty) Jewell.

vii. Robert Sells, born July 13, 1928. Married January 8, 1949 Imo Markin, born July 28, 1932 in Convoy, Ohio, daughter of Everett and Augusta (Derth) Markin.

viii. Betty Louise Sells, born October 28, 1931; married first June 4, 1949 Jack E. McCumber, born January 29, 1928 in Darwin, Ohio, son of Val O. and Doris (Frost) McCumber. She married second ___ Mitchell.

ix. Bud Sells, born October 14, 1933. Married August 20, 1960 Jean Karns, born February 12, 1939 in Portsmouth, Sioto County, Ohio, daughter of Jay Griffith. She married first, Carl Richard Nichols and second, Nelson Karns.

x. Jim C. Sells, born January 25, 1936. Married first January 7, 1956 Marjorie Salyers, born July 27, 1937 in West Mansfield, Ohio, daughter of Frank and Ethel Salyers. He married second March 14, 1964 Sharron Kay Maxwell, born May 17, 1943 in Champaign County, Ohio, daughter of Clay and Charlotte (Allen) Maxwell.

xi. Mary Sells, born July 19, 1939; married November 4, 1955 George Jordan born March 13, 1937 in Springfield, Ohio, son of George R. and Esther (Harris) Jordan.

[Marriage records are from Champaign County Vital Records: Index, FHF#0545422 and #0545423.]

631. (Edna[8], William[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Edna Viets, daughter of William and Catherine (Beard) Viets, was born October 26, 1902 at Mad River, Ohio; married November 29, 1923 Francis Lewis, born November 7, 1902 in Sidney, Ohio, son of Albert H. and Gertrude (Waddell) Lewis. Resided in Springfield, Ohio. Child:

i. Katherine Frances Lewis, born January 20, 1925 in Urbana, Ohio.

632. (Bessie[8], Orville D.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Bessie Viets, daughter of Orville D. and Harriet E. (Pyle) Viets, was born September 25, 1886 in Butler, Ohio. [Delayed Birth Record, Darke County, Ohio, #16289-87.] She married August 9, 1911 the Reverend Orrie O. Arnold, born in Jaysville, Darke County, Ohio, July 27, 1884, son of Winfield and Rebecca (Eisele) Arnold. The Reverend Arnold served pastorates in Dayton, Hamilton, Greenville, and Germantown, Ohio, in the Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ. He was a member of four General Conferences of the denomination, and was chairman of the Denomination's Rural Life

Commission. He wrote several books for the Sunday School literature of the United Brethren church. The family resided in Germantown, Ohio. Children:

i. Winfield Arnold, born May 26, 1912 in Dayton; married February 11, 1939 Helen Post Deem, born in Poplar Bluff, Missouri, October 13, 1913, daughter of Claude H. and Emma (Sheets) Deem. Mr. Arnold was editor of the Ingot Iron News, trade paper of the American Rolling Mills. They resided in Middletown, Ohio. One daughter (Arnold).

ii. Mary Elizabeth Arnold, born June 5, 1914 in Dayton; married August 26, 1939 Paul M. McCrea, born October 18, 1914 in Bradford, Ohio, son of Mansel L. and Grace (Martin) McCrea. Mr. McCrea was director of music in the Monroe Township schools in Pittsburg, Ohio. They resided in Arcanum, Ohio. Five children (McCrea).

633. (Roxie Ellen[8], Orville D.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Roxie Ellen Viets, daughter of Orville and Harriet E. (Pyle) Viets, was born September 27, 1888 at Weaver's Station, Ohio; married December 24, 1910 Harvey W. Puterbaugh, born August 28, 1889 in Trotwood, Ohio, son of Joseph and Margaret (Billings) Puterbaugh. They resided in Somerset, Kentucky. Children, born in Dayton, Ohio:

i. Virginia Lucille Puterbaugh, born July 19, 1911; married July 31, 1937 Charles Brommund.

ii. Harriet Ellen Puterbaugh, born December 12, 1915; married February 15, 1937 George Thornburg.

iii. Charles Herbert Puterbaugh, born July 2, 1919; married April 14, 1939 Mary Margaret Kyle.

634. (Gladys[8], Orville D.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Gladys, daughter of Orville D. and Harriet E. (Pyle) Viets, was born October 26, 1894 in Fort Jefferson, Ohio; married June 28, 1916 E. Elson Jones, born November 6, 1891 in Oak Hill, Ohio, son of Edward J. and Jane (Lewis) Jones. Mrs. Jones died March 8, 1940. Child:

i. Harriet Jane Jones, born March 20, 1921 in Richmond, Indiana.

635. (Lewis Wesley[8], Orville D.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Lewis Wesley Viets, son of Orville D. and Harriet E. (Pyle) Viets, was born December 14, 1896 in Fort Jefferson; married August 6, 1921 Marie E. Riesinger, born August 18, 1894 in Columbus, Ohio, daughter of Charles and Emma (Ryder) Riesinger. Mr. Viets served in the regular army in World War I. [The Official Roster of Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, World War 1917-1918, FHF#0195430.] He died in 1946 and was buried April 2 in Glen Haven Cemetery, Clark County, Ohio.

[Grave Registrations of Soldiers Buried in Ohio, FHF#0965626.] Mrs. Viets died October 1940. Children, born in Dayton, Ohio:

835. i. Robert Lewis, born May 1, 1922.
ii. Betty Lou, born February 13, 1927.

636. (Charles Harold[8], Orville D.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Harold Viets, son of Orville D. and Harriet E. (Pyle) Viets, was born March 20, 1900 [Darke County, Ohio, Births, FHF#1030769] in Fort Jefferson, Darke County, Ohio; married January 24, 1920 Sylvia Gertrude Sides, born July 16, 1900 in Dayton, Ohio, daughter of Charles A. and Gertrude (Cain) Sides. He married second Velma M. _____. [Dayton City Directories.] They resided in Dayton where Mr. Viets was a toolmaker. Children, born in Dayton:

i. Charles Nelson, born August 28, 1920; died by drowning March 12, 1932.
ii. Dale Elwood, born October 1, 1921. Served in the U.S. Army Air Corps in 1940; married Betty _____. In 1973 they lived in Kettering, Ohio, where Mr. Viets was employed by Renault of Dayton. [Dayton City Directory.]

637. (Mildred A.[8], Orville D.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Mildred A. Viets, daughter of Orville D. and Harriet E. (Pyle) Viets, was born January 12, 1902 in Savona, Ohio. [Delayed Birth Record, Darke County, Ohio, #16270.] She married Charles A. Wead. They resided in Dayton, Ohio, in 1938 and 1940. [Dayton City Directory.] Mr. Wead was a drill press operator. Child:

i. Betty F. Wead. [Only known child. Listed as "student" in Dayton City Directory, 1938.]

638. (Helen Gertrude[8], Orville D.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Helen Gertrude Viets, daughter of Orville D. and Harriet E. (Pyle) Viets, was born May 20, 1904 in Butler, Ohio. She married Raymond F. Menke who worked as a salesman supervisor for a Dayton bread company. [Dayton City Directory, 1940 and 1954.] Children:

i. Jane Menke. [Dayton City Directory, 1942 and 1943.]
ii. Patty L. Menke. [Dayton City Directory, 1949.]

639. (Wayne William[8], Orville D.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Wayne William Viets, son of Orville D. and Harriet E. (Pyle) Viets, was born June 21, 1909 in Butler, Darke County, Ohio. [Darke County, Ohio, Births, FHF#1030769.] He married Naomi M. ____. They were living in Dayton, Ohio, in 1933. He died in World War II and was buried May 20, 1945 in Fort Jefferson, Darke County, Ohio. [Grave Registrations of Soldiers Buried in Ohio, FHF#0182786.] Mrs. Viets was living in Dayton in 1947. Child:

i. Jack L. [Dayton City Directory, 1955.]

640. (Omer R.[8], Ulysses S.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Omer R. Viets, son of Ulysses Schuyler and Mary (Adkins) Viets, was born November 4, 1889 in Fort Jefferson, Ohio; married August 28, 1912 Clema Thorn, born June 20, 1890 in Muncie, Indiana. Resided in Greenville, Ohio, in 1960. Mr. Viets was a member of the Masons. He and Mrs. Viets both died in 1974. [Tombstone, Oak Grove Cemetery, Fort Jefferson, Ohio.] No children.

641. (Hester S.[8], Ulysses S.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Hester S. Viets, daughter of Ulysses Schuyler and Mary (Adkins) Viets, was born May 23, 1891 in Fort Jefferson; married September 14, 1921 Elmer Joseph Wellmeier, born November 14, 1895 in Dayton, Ohio, son of Joseph and Sarah (Magee) Wellmeier. Resided in Tampa, Florida. Child:

i. Joseph Blaine Wellmeier, born August 4, 1922 in Tampa. Unmarried. He lived in Miami Springs, Florida. He was a veteran of the U. S. Navy, having served in World War II and the Korean Conflict. He worked for Eastern Airlines for 39 years. He was the owner of the old Viets' house in Fort Jefferson which he had restored. He owned the papers belonging to his great, great, grandfather, Hezekiah Viets. He died April 22, 1988 in Dayton, Ohio, and was buried in the Fort Jefferson Cemetery. [Letter to DVS, 1987; Funeral program, Miller Baird Helman Funeral Home, Greenville, Ohio.]

642. (Flossie E.[8], Ulysses S.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Flossie E. Viets, daughter of Ulysses Schuyler and Mary (Adkins) Viets, was born June 2, 1893 at Weaver's Station, Ohio; married August 9, 1921 Martin T. Warner, born February 12, 1896 in Hillgrove, Ohio, son of James and Frances (Martin) Warner. Resided in Dayton. Child:

i. Mary Frances Warner, born February 8, 1923 in Dayton. Married _____ Coburn. She resided in Dayton. One daughter (Coburn).

643. (Ethel L.[8], Ulysses S.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Ethel L. Viets, daughter of Ulysses Schuyler and Mary (Adkins) Viets, was born March 9, 1895 at Weaver's Station, Ohio; married January 14, 1922 Charles Floyd Jenkins, born October 14, 1898 in Dayton, Ohio, son of Charles D. and Mary (Jones) Jenkins. Resided in Dayton. Children, born in Dayton:

i. Charles Lee Jenkins, born December 16, 1922.
ii. Thomas Howard Jenkins, born June 26, 1927.

644. (Harry Leslie[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Harry Leslie Viets, son of Bertie and Nona B. (Rye) Viets, was born December 8, 1896 in Henryville, Tennessee; married January 8, 1929 Edna Marie Thirlwell, born August 29, 1896 in St. Louis, Missouri. Mr. Viets enlisted in the Navy Reserve at Nashville, Tennessee, May 22, 1918. He was at the Naval Air Station in Chicago where he was in charge of all records. He was discharged September 30, 1921 with a rating of yeoman 2nd Class, USNRF Class 2. He was afterward commissioned captain of State Reserve in California Cavalry, 1st regiment. Later he was attached to the 439th California Cavalry Reserve.

Mr. Viets was a barber in eight states from 1911 to 1923. He then owned barber shops in Hollywood and Beverly Hills, California, until his retirement in 1945 in Palm Springs. In 1972 they moved to El Cajon, California. No children.

645. (William H.[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

William H. Viets, son of Bertie and Nona B. (Rye) Viets, was born December 3, 1898 in Henryville, Tennessee; married August 28, 1932 Birdie A. McMackin, born November 18, 1901 in Iron City, Tennessee, daughter of John B. and Alice J. (Pettus) McMackin. Mr. Viets died December 21, 1983 in San Diego. [VR, California, FHM#6332563.] Children:

i. Daughter, born June 1934; died in infancy.
836. ii. Brian Wayne, born August 4, 1936 in San Diego, California.

646. (Oran[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Oran Viets, son of Bertie and Nona B. (Rye) Viets, was born February 19, 1901 in Henryville, Tennessee; married July 14, 1929 Jean H. McMeachin, born December 29, 1905 in St. Joseph, Missouri. Mr. Viets served in World War II as a SeaBee stationed in the South Pacific. He died January 20, 1974 in San Diego, California. [VR, California, FHM#6332563.] No children.

647. (Ina May[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Ina May Viets, daughter of Bertie and Nona B. (Rye) Viets, was born December 22, 1905 in Henryville, Tennessee; married November 3, 1928 A. Ivan Rascoe, born May 21, 1904 in Groesbeck, Texas, son of Alvertus and Mattie (Oates) Rascoe. Mr. Rascoe died in California, July 4, 1949. Children:

i. William Allen Rascoe, born February 6, 1930 in San Diego.
ii. Dorothy Eloise Rascoe, born March 14, 1931 in Los Angeles. She married Robert Johnson.
iii. Barbara Ann Rascoe, born June 4, 1936 in California.

**648. (Hiram R.[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])**

Hiram R. Viets, twin son of Bertie and Nona B. (Rye) Viets, was born September 19, 1910 in Henryville, Tennessee; married first September 29, 1937, Pauline June Arant, born June 4, 1917 in Seattle, Washington, and adopted by Arthur and Drexel (Gent) Arant. Resided in Oceanside, California. Mr. Viets married second March 25, 1961 in San Diego County, Mary A. (Casady) Couvrette. [VR, California, FHM#6332557.] Children:

837. i. Daniel Earl, born March 7, 1942.
838. ii. Victor Eugene, born August 15, 1944.

**649. (Byrom A.[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])**

Byrom A. Viets, twin son of Bertie and Nona B. (Rye) Viets, was born September 19, 1910 in Henryville, Tennessee; married first, April 13, 1936 Mrs. Ruth E. Wier, born February 9, 1907 in Sebeka, Minnesota, daughter of John and Stella (Walker) Hermiston. Mrs. Viets died in San Diego County, August 15, 1972. [VR, California, FHM#6332563.] Mr. Viets married second in San Diego County, May 3, 1974 Rosalie Kohnen. [VR, California, FHM#6332558.] Children:

839. i. Byrom Alonzo, born December 23, 1936.
840. ii. Diane Burnley, born May 24, 1940.

**650. (Ida M.[8], Henry B.[7], Elam[6], Salmon[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])**

Ida M. Viets, daughter of Henry B. and Alice (Crosier) Viets, was born April 1, 1871 in Connecticut; married May 31, 1893 in Dalton, Massachusetts, William C. Burbank, born July 1868 in Dalton, son of Joseph and Ellen (Dempsey) Burbank. [VR, Dalton, Massachusetts.] Mr. Burbank was a harness maker and his wife was an operator in the paper mill. They were living in Dalton, Massachusetts, in 1900. Children, born in Dalton [VR, Dalton, Massachusetts]:

i. Son, born September 22, 1894; died the same day.
ii. William J. Burbank, born October 9, 1899.

References: Pension record of Henry B. Viets, #9377901; Vital records, Dalton, Massachusetts.

**651. (William D.[8], Henry B.[7], Elam[6], Salmon[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])**

William D. Viets [Veats], son of Henry B. and Alice Alida (Crosier) Viets, was born October 8, 1873 in Danbury. He went with his mother to Dalton, Massachusetts, to live after his parents separated. He married first, November 23, 1892 Mildred Hildreth, daughter of Royal and Hannah (Fuller) Hildreth, born February 17, 1872 in Cheshire, Massachusetts. She died February 24, 1897 in Dalton. Mr. Viets married as his second wife, on September 19, 1908 Mildred E. Tower, born about 1880 in Richmond, Massachusetts, daughter of Henry B. and Carrie (Phillips) Tower. Mr. Viets was employed at the paper mill in Dalton as an electrician. He died there September 27, 1909. His widow married June 2, 1917 in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Arthur Burdick. No known children.

References: Pension record of Henry B. Viets, #9377901; Vital records, Dalton, Massachusetts.

**652. (George Lewis[8], Henry B.[7], Elam[6], Salmon[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])**

George Lewis Viets [Veats], son of Henry B. and Alice Alida (Crosier) Viets, was born January 3, 1875 in Dalton, Massachusetts. He married in 1896 in Worthington, Massachusetts, Edith J. Maynard, born July 1878 in Savoy, Massachusettts, daughter of Clarence and Flora E. Maynard. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0955093.] They were living in Worthington, Massachusetts, in 1900. [Hampshire County census.] Mr. Viets died in Pittsfield in 1941. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0954753.] Children, born in Dalton [VR, Dalton, Massachusetts]:

i. Kenneth (twin), born January 16, 1906; died February 11, 1906.
ii. Gladys (twin), born January 16, 1906; died February 10, 1906.
iii. Leslie Rupert, born April 19, 1910; died November 27, 1910.

**653. (Marshall C.[8], Marshall W.[7], Lemuel W.[6], Zopher[5], [Hezekiah P.[4]?], John[3], John[2], John[1])**

Marshall C. Viets, son of Marshall Wilson and Jane (Craig) Viets, was born in Cleveland December 29, 1858. He married May 13, 1878 Nellie I. Lawrence, born in New York City January 22, 1857, daughter of William Garretson and Mary Ann (Carnes) Lawrence. The family lived in Cleveland where Mr. Viets was employed as a railroad clerk. [Cleveland City Directory.] Mr. Viets died December 18, 1923; Mrs. Viets died January 30, 1935. Children:

841. i. Ildagerta, born November 3, 1879.
842. ii. Dorothea Teal, born June 25, 1895.

654. (Willis Everton[8], Marshall W.[7], Lemuel W.[6], Zopher[5], [Hezekiah P.[4]?], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Willis Everton Viets, son of Marshall Wilson and Jane (Craig) Viets, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, March 31, 1867. He married in Cleveland November 30, 1892 Alice Mae DeWolf, born in Clarksfield, Ohio, July 3, 1875, daughter of Samuel P. and Sarah (Fox) DeWolf. Mr. Viets was the manager of a cement company in Cleveland from about 1896 to 1908. [Cleveland City Directories.] They later resided in Chicago. No children.

655. (George Warren[8], Eugene E.[7], Lemuel W.[6], Zopher[5], [Hezekiah P.[4]?], John[3], John[2], John[1])

George Warren Viets, son of Eugene Erskine and Lydia (Chapin) Viets, was born in Bedford, Ohio, June 28, 1872. He married in 1894 Janet Stevens, born in Millvale, Pennsylvania, July 23, 1878, daughter of James P. and Mary Ann (Davis) Stevens. He married second in 1914 Mary Spiker. Children, by first marriage:

843. i. George Warren Jr., born in 1895.
844. ii. Janet G., born July 14, 1902.

By second marriage:

iii. Edward Gorden, born December 19, 1916 in Colton, California.
iv. Robert Gorden, born October 12, 1918 in Colton.
v. Louise Gorden, born December 11, 1925 in Colton.

The surname of the last three children was legally changed from Viets to Gorden. They resided in California.

656. (Mary[8], Eugene E.[7], Lemuel W.[6], Zopher[5], [Hezekiah P.[4]?], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Viets, daughter of Eugene Erskine and Lydia (Chapin) Viets, was born in Niles, Michigan, in March 1874. She married October 15, 1896 George L. Kitchin, born in White Haven, Pennsylvania, December 6, 1868, son of Thomas and Mary Jane (Albert) Kitchin. He died January 21, 1950. They resided in Warren, Ohio. Children:

i. Edith Kitchin, born August 13, 1897 in New Castle, Pennsylvania; married December 23, 1919 Harry Allen McGonigal, born in Clifton Forge, Virginia, January 24, 1892, son of James and Anna (George) McGonigal. They resided in Youngstown, Ohio. Two children (McGonigal).
ii. Frank H. Kitchin, born November 17, 1901 in Deforest, Ohio; married November 18, 1925 Cora E. Helwig, born in Hartsgrove, Ohio, August 26, 1904, daughter of William and Amanda (Bender)

Helwig. They resided in Bristolville, Ohio. Three children (Kitchin).

iii. Jean Kitchin, born July 29, 1904 in Warren, Ohio; married December 31, 1935 Kenneth Robert Crane, born June 27, 1902, son of Robert W. and Laura Jane (Manes) Crane. One daughter by a former marriage, adopted by Mr. Crane.

iv. Eleanor Kitchin, born November 4, 1909 in Warren, Ohio; married March 30, 1929 Clark McNeeley Gotshall, born in Sunbury, Pennsylvania, August 31, 1905, son of Charles F. and Catherine (McNeeley) Gotshall. Four children (Gotshall).

v. Walter Harlan Kitchin, born June 19, 1911 in Warren; married October 11, 1934 Louise Waldron, born April 11, 1916 in Niles, Ohio, daughter of LeRoy and Ethel (Glay) Waldron. Resided in Warren, Ohio. One son (Kitchin).

vi. Marthajane Kitchin, born August 14, 1917 in Warren, Ohio; married May 28, 1938 Theodore Joseph Gedeon, born in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, November 7, 1912, son of Gazey and Bela Gedeon. One child (Gedeon).

657. (Adelbert M.[8], Arthur[7], Hezekiah[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Adelbert M. Viets, son of Arthur and Mary (Cary) Viets, was born October 4, 1872; married May 15, 1895 Elta Dilsworth who died October 23, 1896. He married second, April 26, 1898 Myrtle Freidt, born April 26, 1875 in Petersburg, Michigan, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Brown) Freidt. She died December 23, 1929. Mr. Viets resided in Sandwich, Illinois. Children, born in Sandwich:

i. Arthur, born March 1900; died young?

845. ii. Robert F., born February 15, 1903.

846. iii. Margaret E., born August 19, 1905.

658. (May[8], Arthur[7], Hezekiah[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

May Viets, daughter of Arthur and Mary (Cary) Viets, was born May 7, 187?; married Frank Boget who died September 17, 1928. Mrs. Boget died September 11, 1922. Child:

i. Charles Boget, born June 6, 1913.

659. (Blanche Ina[8], Jason[7], Benjamin[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Blanche Ina Viets, daughter of Jason and Barbara (Hadley) Viets, was born May 30, 1883; married first Byron Jenne. She married second John W. Kimbell of the U.S. Army. Blanche died January 18, 1957 in Kansas City, Missouri. Children:

i. Claudia Maxine Jenne, born June 11, 1903 in Ottawa Lake, Michigan. She married Joseph William Turner. They resided in Chula Vista, California. No children.

ii. Thelma Jenne, born in 1905; married Anthony Bertsch. They resided in Mohave Valley, California. Two children (Bertsch).

iii. Beryl Jenne, married Margaret White. He died in 1978.

660. (Floyd Jason[8], Jason[7], Benjamin[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Floyd Jason Viets, son of Jason and Barbara (Hadley) Viets, was born December 19, 1884; married January 6, 1909 Amelia A. Pepper, born March 31, 1885 in Lenawee County, Michigan, daughter of Fred and Mary (Harrwaldt) Pepper. Resided in Ottawa Lake, Michigan, where both died: Floyd May 3, 1952 and Amelia June 11, 1956. Child:

847. i. Elda Ludell Pepper, born June 2, 1917.

661. (Elsie[8], Marvin[7], Benjamin[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Elsie Viets, daughter of Marvin and Jennie (Hadley) Viets, was born August 12, 1889; married June 27, 1907 Fred R. Maddern, born in Evart, Michigan, May 29, 1884, son of Charles and Frances (McKinley) Maddern. They resided in Evart. Children:

i. Leonard Maddern, born October 7, 1908 in Sears, Michigan; married December 31, 1940 Geneva Smock, born October 7, 1916 in Evart, daughter of Archie and Jennie (Brown) Smock.

ii. Theo W. Maddern, born April 20, 1910 in Evart; married April 20, 1935 Helen Norris, born November 4, 1915 in Evart, daughter of William and Effie (Wixson) Norris. One daughter (Maddern).

662. (Clara[8], Marvin[7], Benjamin[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Clara Viets, daughter of Marvin and Jennie A. (Hadley) Viets, was born June 5, 1891 in Michigan. She married William M. Peters, born June 11, 1888 in Saginaw, Michigan, son of Fred and Matilda (Schultz) Peters. They resided in Saginaw.

663. (Cedora Emily[8], Truman T.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Cedora Emily Viets, daughter of Truman Theodore and Catherine Maria "Cassie" (Smith) Viets, was born October 28, 1871 in Tonganoxie, Kansas; married September 14, 1892 in Sedalia, Missouri, Lawson F. Berry, born January 2, 1853 in Houstonia, Pettis County, Missouri, son of William Naseby and Eliza Jane (Williams) Berry. Mr. Berry died September 2, 1907 in Blackwater, Cooper County, Missouri. His widow married second January 19, 1910 Levi Scott Chaffee, born January 23, 1872 in Marshall, Missouri. Mrs. Chaffee died March 6, 1959 in

Sweet Springs, Saline County, Missouri. Children, born in Hughesville, Pettis County, Missouri:

i. Temple Berry, born September 28, 1893 died November 30, 1893.
ii. Clarke Viets Berry, born April 8, 1896; married May 26, 1917 Elizabeth Orene Darby, born September 2, 1899 in Oak Grove, Missouri, daughter of W. T. and Nellie Kate (Hulse) Darby. Clarke Berry died February 18, 1941 in Albuquerque, New Mexico, of tuberculosis.

664. (Edna Alvareta[8], Truman T.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Edna Alvareta, daughter of Truman and Catherine Maria "Cassie" (Smith) Viets, was born November 12, 1882 in Hughesville, Pettis County, Missouri; married November 25, 1903 David William Duly Jr., born June 20, 1881 in Hughesville, son of David William and Rebecca (Stirlen) Duly. Mr. Duly died November 17, 1952 in Sedalia, Missouri, and his widow died June 19, 1965 in St. Joseph, Missouri, where she was employed as a nurse in a hospital. Children, born in Hughesville:

i. Kenneth Theodore Duly, born October 25, 1904; married in May 31, 1925 in Hughesville, Mildred Irene May, born October 28, 1901 in Hughesville, daughter of Arthur Lee and Addie Frances (Lauders) May. They reside in Hermitage, Missouri. One son (Duly).
ii. David Elwood Duly, born November 24, 1910; died July 1, 1912 in Hughesville, Missouri.

665. (Ralph Stuart[8], Truman T.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Ralph Stuart Viets, son of Truman Theodore and Catherine Marie "Cassie" (Smith) Viets, was born May 30, 1885 in Hughesvile, Pettis County, Missouri; married March 31, 1907 Isophene Scott, born July 5, 1886 in LaMonte, Missouri, daughter of Rush M. and Nancy (Todd) Scott. They lived for many years in Kansas City, Missouri, where Mr. Viets was an automobile mechanic. Upon retirement they moved to LaMonte, Missouri. Mr. Viets died September 6, 1966 in Sedalia, Missouri; his widow died January 12, 1976 in Kansas City, Missouri. Child:

848. i. Hildred Catherine, born February 24, 1908.

666. (Cora Mae[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Cora Mae Viets, daughter of Clinton Henry and Adeline Dupreis (Lamotte) Viets, was born August 1, 1878 in Jefferson County, Kansas; married June 8, 1909 Frank Drake, born February 14, 1881 in Wetmore, Nemaha County, Kansas, son of Irving O. and Katherine (Crowley) Drake. Mr. and Mrs. Drake were graduated from Kansas State Teacher's College in 1906, both having worked their way through. While in college Cora Mae was a champion tennis player and president of the Y.W.C.A. Mr. Drake was a graduate of the University of Kansas Law School. He was later in

the teaching profession. Cora Mae died in Seattle, Washington, March 19, 1937. Mr. Drake married as his second wife, Dora Moffet. He died March 17, 1948 in Seattle. Children:

i. Margaret Viets Drake, born August 29, 1911 in Cody, Wyoming; married July 8, 1933 Elmer T. Gruwell Jr., born March 27, 1907 in Hampton, Iowa, son of Elmer T. and Anna (Jackson) Gruwell. Mrs. Gruwell died March 8, 1961 in Inglewood, California. One son (Gruwell).

ii. Theodore F. "Bill" Drake, born October 27, 1913 in Centralia, Washington; married July 9, 1937 Quinica Venetta "Honey" Cram in Seattle, Washington, daughter of Theodore and Mabel (Stevens) Cram. Mr. Drake attended the University of Washington and its Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps program. He served in the Naval Reserves and later with the Army as Navy Liaison in the South Pacific. He returned to work at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard. He retired as Naval Reserve Commander after 38 years. Mrs. Drake was chosen Woman of Achievement for Kitsap County, Washington, in 1959. She taught at East and West Bremerton High Schools and at Bremerton Business College. They reside in Bremerton where they are very active in community affairs. Their hobbies are traveling, skiing, fishing, and enjoying life. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 12, 1987. Three children (Drake).

iii. Robert Clinton Drake (changed his name legally to Robin Drake), born May 16, 1916 in Port Townsend, Washington; married March 6, 1943 Patricia E. Young. They later divorced. Mr. Viets died in Seattle January 4, 1987. Two children (Drake).

667. (Leroy Rollin[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Leroy Rollin Viets, son of Clinton Henry and Adeline Dupreis (LaMotte) Viets, was born November 24, 1880 in Jefferson County, Kansas; married August 2, 1905 Charlotte Grace Huckett, born August 18, 1884 in Kansas City, Missouri, daughter of Joseph James and Mary (Hanwell) Huckett of London, England. Mr. Viets was a landscape gardener in Kansas City. They celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary in 1973. He died February 7, 1974 in Louisburg, Miami County, Kansas, age ninety-three; Mrs. Viets died March 22, 1977 in Lee's Summit, Missouri. Children:

849. i. Marjorie Doris, born January 4, 1908.
850. ii. Mary Adelyn, born July 22, 1910.
851. iii. Arthur Rollin, born September 4, 1912.
852. iv. Maurice Charles "Kelly," born May 24, 1918.

668. (Gertrude[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Gertrude Viets, daughter of Clinton Henry and Adeline Dupreis (LaMotte) Viets, was born February 16, 1885 in Jefferson County, Kansas; married January 17, 1906 in Kansas City, Missouri, Edward Carl Merrick, born December 8, 1878 in Franklin, Simpson County, Kentucky, son of Hudson G. and Sarah Katharine (Ransdell) Merrick. Even though Mr. Merrick lost his eyesight the Merricks conducted a real estate business in Denver for many years. Gertrude died October 12, 1963 and her husband died April 30, 1964 in Denver. Children:

i. Elizabeth Gertrude Merrick, born August 19, 1907 in El Paso, Texas. She married June 18, 1932 Milton Coulter Garwood, born July 17, 1907 in Pueblo, Colorado, son of Omar E. and Jeanne (Coulter) Garwood. Both Mr. and Mrs. Garwood were graduates of the University of Colorado. Mr. Garwood was an attorney in Denver. Mrs. Garwood died April 12, 1949 in Denver. No children.

ii. Eileen Claire Merrick, was born November 13, 1914 in Denver. She graduated from Denver University in 1937 and taught in the schools of that city. She married in Denver June 25, 1938 Melvin Graham Palmquist, born October 3, 1911 in Salt Lake City, Utah, son of Fritz Leonate and Alice (Hilpert) Palmquist. He was a captain in the Army Air Corp in World War II. He was provost marshal at the Rapid City Air Base in South Dakota and at the Pueblo, Colorado, Air Base. They reside in Denver, Colorado. One son (Palmquist).

669. (Mabel Claire[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Mabel Claire Viets, daughter of Clinton Henry and Adeline Dupreis (LaMotte) Viets was born July 30, 1887 in Jefferson County, Kansas; married in Kansas City, Missouri, December 2, 1911 Earle Hedrick Rowland, born September 13, 1887 in Burden, Kansas, son of Raleigh Clayton and Viola (Harden) Hedrick. He was adopted by his mother's sister, Allie Harden Rowland. Mr. Rowland died September 1959 in Granada Hills, California; his widow died September 9, 1973 in Hawthorne, California. Children:

i. Virginia Aldora Rowland, born August 29, 1912 in Dexter, Kansas. She married November 28, 1948 Charles M. Ferrel, born January 16, 1904 in Gravette, Arkansas, son of Jesse Milton and Minnie Belle (Eisley) Ferrel. Mr. Ferrel was a widower with one daughter. The Ferrels lived in Orange, California, in the 1950's; upon retirement they moved to Cotter, Arkansas. No children.

ii. Harden Viets Rowland, born September 3, 1916 in Kansas City, Kansas; married February 16, 1941 in Huntington Park, California, Vivian Edna Wilson, born January 10, 1918 in San Francisco, daughter of Earl Clayton and Edna Vivian (Graham) Wilson. The Reverend Rowland has been a Baptist Minister for more than forty

years, first in Minnesota, later in southern California in the Los Angeles area. Mrs. Rowland served as bookkeeper for American Baptist Churches of the Pacific Southwest. They are retired and live in Alhambra, California. Two children (Rowland).

iii. Margaret Grace Rowland, born August 30, 1926 in Salt Lake City; married September 19, 1948 in Portland, Oregon, Melvin Waites Veale Jr., born February 28, 1926 in Monterey Park, California, son of Melvin Waites and Agnes Lulu (Taylor) Veale. They reside in Monterey Park, California. Eight children (Veale).

iv. Patricia V. Rowland, born February 20, 1930 in Salt Lake City, Utah; married David Young. Resides in Phoenix, Arizona. Four children (Young).

670. (Elva[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Elva Viets, daughter of Clinton Henry and Adeline Dupreis (LaMotte) Viets, was born July 28, 1889 in Jefferson County, Kansas; married first, June 4, 1911 in Lawrence, Kansas, Frank E. Craine, born October 12, 1881 in Cambridge, Kansas; they separated and she married second, Wilbur B. Richardson, a motorcycle patrolman in Miami, Florida. He was killed in an accident while on duty December 14, 1928. Elva married for her third husband, December 13, 1937 George Edward Meyer, son of Oscar and _____ (Swinehart) Meyer. They had a 140-acre farm in Carthage, Missouri, and there Elva died December 22, 1958. Child:

i. Raymond Viets Craine, born February 27, 1913 in Wellington, Kansas; married May 1, 1938 Thelma Irene Pennington, born November 24, 1915 in Anderson, Indiana, daughter of Martin and Mary Ellen (Tebbutt) Pennington. They live in Kansas City, Missouri. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary May 1, 1988. Two daughters (Craine).

671. (Leslie Clinton[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Leslie Clinton Viets, son of Clinton Henry and Adeline Dupreis (LaMotte) Viets, was born December 25, 1890 in Jefferson County, Kansas; married June 22, 1921 in Ames, Kansas, Alice Minnie Buckley, born December 11, 1895 in Ames, Kansas, daughter of Robert Edmund and Mary Emma (Walno) Buckley. Leslie and Alice were farmers in Cloud County, Kansas, and celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on the farm June 22, 1971. Leslie died August 25, 1975 in Anthony, Kansas; Alice died September 17, 1979 in Ames. Both are buried in Pleasant View Cemetery, south of Ames. Children:

853. i. Donald Clinton, born September 1, 1924.

ii. Lola Mae, born November 19, 1927 in Aurora, Cloud County, Kansas. She holds a B.S. and M.S. in library science from Emporia State University and has graduate credit from the Universities of Colorado and Minnesota. She was chosen as an outstanding young educator and master teacher. Her hobbies are traveling and

reading. She is a librarian in the high school at Winfield, Kansas, where she currently resides. Unmarried.

854. iii. Arlene Ruth, born September 29, 1931.

855. iv. Velma Evelyn, born May 28, 1933.

672. (John Alfred[8], Harvey J.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

John Alfred "Fred" Viets, son of Harvey Joseph and Evaline (McKay) Viets, was born in February 1878 in Jefferson County, Kansas. His father died when he was two years old. His mother later married David Butcher and the family moved to Marceline, Missouri. Fred worked for the Santa Fe Railroad in Texas. He married in Texas, Angelene Yeker, born December 18, 1878 in Grimes County, Texas, daughter of Stanislaus and Wilhelmina (Sobe) Yeker She died November 19, 1943 in Navasota, Texas, of typhus fever, her husband having preceded her in death. No children.

673. (Estella Inez[8], Frank E.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Estella Inez "Stella" Viets, daughter of Frank Elvaro and Emma Bell (McKay) Viets, was born August 9, 1884 in Leavenworth County, Kansas; married December 4, 1905 Frank Edwin Wilson, born September 17, 1879 in Carmel, Indiana, son of Samuel and Charlotte (Carey) Wilson. He died April 29, 1943 in Shawnee, Kansas. Stella married second, Ed Pfannebecker, and third, Bert Bayless, May 20, 1947 in Temecula, California. They resided in Orange, California, where she died July 22, 1963, her husband having preceded her in death. Children:

i. Russell Wilson, born 1906; died in infancy.

ii. Harold Wilson (twin), born July 10, 1907 in Lawrence, Kansas; died July 6, 1908.

iii. Helen Wilson (twin), born July 10, 1907 in Lawrence, Kansas; died January 26, 1912 in Chicago, Illinois, of diphtheria.

iv. Donald Edwin Wilson, born March 11, 1913 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada; married first, November 17, 1934 Nellie Mae Foster, born February 26, 1915 in Oak Valley, Kansas, daughter of James Jefferson and Deliama (Duby) Foster. One daughter (Wilson). He married second Marga Lucile Pankey, born March 4, 1917 in California, Missouri, daughter of James Arthur and Mattie Catherine (Markham) Pankey. Don died August 7, 1984 in Sedona, Arizona. Mrs. Wilson resides in Sedona. One son (Wilson).

674. (Ivan Dean[8], Frank E.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Ivan Dean Viets, son of Frank Elvaro and Emma Bell (McKay) Viets, was born December 10, 1886 in Lawrence, Kansas; married May 22, 1912 Laura Beal, born November 25, 1887 in Lawrence, daughter of William Samuel and Mary Elizabeth (Skinner) Beal. They resided in Lawrence; in 1929 the family spent two years in Barranquilla, Colombia, South America, where Mr. Viets worked for the Theodore

Gary Telephone Company. He later worked for a chain of small telephone exchanges in Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Mrs. Viets died December 25, 1936 in Lawrence, Kansas. Mr. Viets was a member of Telephone Pioneers after working for more than 50 years in the telephone business. He moved to Moscow, Idaho, in 1968 and died there February 15, 1980. Children:

856. i. Robert Edwin, born January 26, 1916.
857. ii. Dorothy Dean, born September 20, 1919.

675. (Ruth Zola[8], Frank E.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Ruth Zola Viets, daughter of Frank Elvaro and Emma Bell (McKay) Viets, was born October 27, 1894 in Leavenworth County, Kansas; married first June 26, 1912 Thurston Earl Dunakin in Lawrence, Kansas. She divorced him and married second in Leavenworth, Kansas, October 30, 1925 Thomas Caldwell Roseberry, a young widower with a daughter. He was 1/16th Miami Indian, Roll No. 3236. He was born July 10, 1897 in Miami, Ottawa County, Oklahoma, son of Edward Joseph and Louise Elizabeth (Drake) Roseberry. Mr. Roseberry served in World War I, was gassed and suffered with a lung ailment most of his life. They celebrated their 50th anniversary in 1975 in their home in Tucson, Arizona. Ruth died April 4, 1976 and Tom died December 7, 1976, both in Tucson. Children, by first marriage:

i. LaReine Clydean Dunakin, born February 11, 1914; married May 16, 1935 in Kansas City, Missouri, Nelson Blair Lewis Jr., born August 22, 1911 in Kansas City, Missouri, son of Nelson Blair and Elizabeth (Faris) Lewis. Nelson was a supervisor of the electronic section of Trans World Airlines in Kansas City. Upon retirement they moved to Prescott, Arizona. Nelson died there May 18, 1979. Mrs. Lewis resides in Prescott. Three children (Lewis).

ii. Norma Elizabeth Dunakin, born February 28, 1920 in Lawrence, Kansas; married November 17, 1951 Robert Sterling Woodward, born July 16, 1924 in Philadelphia, son of Sterling and Helen Elizabeth (Caverly) Woodward. Bob and Norma moved to Australia in the 1960s where they have an acreage near Perth. They raise fruit and flowers for the market and have been very active in the International Protea Growers Association. Five children (Woodward).

By second marriage:

iii. Emma Lou Roseberry, born February 16, 1929 in Kansas City, Kansas; married first, January 1, 1949 in Nogales, Mexico, James Leslie Johnson, born May 6, 1924 in Richmond, California, son of Leslie Edward and Anna (Wheeler) Johnson. He died April 18, 1962 in Tucson, Arizona. Two children (Johnson). Emma Lou married second, October 26, 1966 Earl Edward Fisher, born April 18, 1919 in Cherokee County, Oklahoma, son of Thomas Milton and Annie Ida

(Smith) Fisher. Earl was a driller and prospector for minerals. They resided in Thatcher, Arizona. Mrs. Fisher died November 17, 1987 and her widower died May 24, 1988. Two children (Fisher).

iv. Jack Viets Roseberry, born August 25, 1931 in Kansas City, Kansas; married November 20, 1953 Janet Forrest Altschuler, born April 23, 1931 in Hackensack, New Jersey, daughter of Rex Baine and Ruth (Dunstan) Altschuler. Jack is an investment banker. They reside in Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey. Three children (Roseberry).

v. Carolyn Wilson Roseberry, born September 30, 1935 in Kansas City, Missouri; married September 2, 1955 Jackson Roy Markle, born March 22, 1935 in Seward, Nebraska, son of Elija Vallony and Louise Isabelle (Garland) Markle. Mr. Markle is a systems engineering manager with Hughes Aircraft in Tucson, Arizona. Three children (Markle).

**676. (Elsie Bertha[8], Edgar S.[7], Harrison[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])**

Elsie Bertha Viets, daughter of Edgar Scott and Johanna Adeline (Malchus) Viets, was born July 20, 1879 in Dundee, Michigan; married first, September 7, 1900 in Cleveland, Harry Cunningham, born in Canada, son of James and Jane (Kearns) Cunningham. [Cuyahoga County, Ohio, Marriage Records.] She married second, June 1, 1904 Baird Garman, born May 7, 1879 in Springfield Township, Magadore, Ohio, son of George and Cynthia (Baird) Garman. He died October 19, 1907. His widow married as her third husband, February 21, 1921 Paul Hubert, a native of Germany. She died January 24, 1966 in Jacksonville, Florida. Child:

i. Ruth Garman, born December 30, 1904 in Buffalo, New York; married February 15, 1926 Chester Hall, born April 13, 1905 in Cleveland, son of George and Catherine (Schweiger) Hall. She died in 1973. One son (Hall).

**677. (Ada Belle[8], Edgar S.[7], Harrison[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])**

Ada Belle Viets, daughter of Edgar Scott and Johanna Adeline (Malchus) Viets, born September 8, 1881 in Cleveland; married September 15, 1902 John Edwards, born July 18, 1879 in Cleveland, son of James and Eliza (Kerrwich) Edwards. She married second, in California, William McKnight. On August 20, 1938 she married William O. Hupp of Fredericksburg, Ohio. Children, born in Cleveland:

i. Elvern E. Maxon Edwards, born October 19, 1903; died December 29, 1906.

ii. Evelyn Valentine Edwards, born February 14, 1906; married July 11, 1924 Henry Reid Shaw, born in Butler, Pennsylvania, May 8, 1900, son of John and Ida (Irwin) Shaw. He was an employee of the Post Office in Cleveland; died March 17, 1939. His widow married January 3, 1942 Al Bromiger. She married for her third husband May 8, 1965 Stanley Frederick Douglas. Three children (Shaw).

678. (Edgar John[8], Edgar S.[7], Harrison[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Edgar John Viets, son of Edgar Scott and Johanna Adeline (Malchus) Viets, was born October 28, 1883 in Dundee, Michigan. He married October 28, 1911 Etta Schoenfelder, born September 26, 1892, daughter of Herman and Sophia (Wolters) Schoenfelder. Mr. Viets died in Oakland, California, January 20, 1941. No children.

679. (Harry Leonard[8], Edgar S.[7], Harrison[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Harry Leonard Viets, son of Edgar Scott and Johanna Adeline (Malchus) Viets, was born April 6, 1890 in Cleveland; married in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, May 30, 1910 Irene Frances Wiggins, born May 23, 1892 in Cleveland, daughter of James S. and Lola (Harper) Wiggins. Mr. Viets was a typewriter service repairman in Cleveland from 1906 to 1935. He later retired in California. Mrs. Viets died June 6, 1977 in California. Mr. Viets died March 5, 1979 in Los Angeles County. [VR, California, FHF#6332563.] Child:

858. i. Harrison Frederick "Jack," born August 12, 1911.

680. (Carl Byron[8], William B.[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Carl Byron Viets, son of William B. and Ida E. (Giger) Viets, was born August 15, 1898 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#0955616]. He married in Danville, Pennsylvania, February 8, 1917 Jessie R. Roderick, daughter of David M. and Anna (Salmon) Roderick. She was born October 5, 1895 in Dover, Ohio. [Pedigree chart, Columbia County Historical Society, Orangeville, Pennsylvania.] They lived in Bloomsburg where Mr. Viets was a professor at Bloomsburg College. Mr. Viets died May 3, 1974 in Bloomsburg. Mrs. Viets died in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, November 25, 1987. Children, born in Bloomsburg:

i. Carl Edward, born June 1, 1921. Unmarried.
859. ii. Jack Harold, born February 14, 1923.
860. iii. Richard William, born April 26, 1930.

681. (Guy W.[8], William B.[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Guy W. Viets, son of William B. and Ida E. (Giger) Viets, was born March 6, 1900 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania [VR, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, FHF#0955616.]; married Barbara Davenport. Mr. Viets died in Bloomsburg September 26, 1968. Children:

861. i. William D. born March 22, 1920.
862. ii. Shirley, born July 21, 1926.

682. (Harriet S. I.[8], Roger G.[7], Henry S.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Harriet S. I. Viets, daughter of Roger Griswold and Anna B. (Woodis) Viets, was born July 27, 1904 in East Brookfield, Massachusetts; married February 17, 1922 Wilfred Perry Rivers, born November 14, 1900 in Ware, Massachusetts, son of Peter A. and Nellie I. (Cheever) Rivers. They resided in Spencer, Massachusetts. Children:

i. Wilfred Arthur Rivers, born September 11, 1922 in Spencer.
ii. Helen Elizabeth Rivers, born July 11, 1923 in Spencer.
iii. Roger Wilbur Rivers, born October 14, 1924 in Spencer.
iv. Richard Francis Rivers, born November 13, 1925 in Spencer. Died July 6, 1927.
v. Henry Viets Rivers, born May 29, 1927 in Spencer.
vi. Beverly Anna Rivers, born August 12, 1930 in Keene, New Hampshire.
vii. Iona Dorothy Rivers, born October 12, 1931 in Lawrence, Massachusetts.
viii. Donald Stanley Rivers, born February 4, 1935 in Spencer.
ix. Harriet Aloma Rivers, born July 10, 1936 in Spencer.
x. Robert Frank Rivers, born March 16, 1939 in Spencer.
xi. William Woodman Rivers, born October 29, 1940 in Spencer.
xii. Ida Halcyan Rivers, born December 15, 1941 in Spencer.

683. (Gladys Marguerite[8], Harry A.[7], Henry S.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Gladys Marguerite Viets, daughter of Harry Augustus and Minnie E. (Foster) Viets, was born July 1, 1895 in Clarence, Nova Scotia; married August 15, 1912 Joseph W. Sproule, born April 15, 1892 in Clarence, son of Elijah and Emma (Palmer) Sproule. Mrs. Sproule died in 1925. Child:

i. Olive Marguerite Sproule, born March 6, 1922 in Clarence.

684. (John Henry[8], John K.[7], Henry S.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

John Henry Viets, son of John Knutton and Minnie (Magrath) Viets, was born February 23, 1905 in Saco, Maine; married in Old Orchard Beach, Maine, December 16, 1923 Elizabeth Butler, born September 9, 1905 in Ashton-Under Lyme, England, daughter of John James and Ann (Harker) Butler. They both died in Lynn, Massachusetts, he on March 21, 1987 and she on March 24, 1988. They had resided in Saco, Maine. Child:

863. i. John Butler, born December 6, 1925.

685. (Edward M.[8], Edward A.[7], Edward M.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Edward M. Viets, son of Edward Augustus and Elizabeth M. Viets, was born June 1899 in Brookline, Massachusetts. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0955703.] He married in Worcester, Massachusetts, June 27, 1928 Pauline Abbie Wilson, born in Dougest, New Hampshire. He died February 10, 1930. His widow married again in Spencer, Massachusetts, in 1931. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0959026.] Child:

i. Virginia Ann, born February 28, 1929 in Worcester.

686. (Catherine Douglas[8], Guy R.[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Catherine Douglas Viets, daughter of Guy Roberts and Jennie Fair (Jardine) Viets, was born in Harbor Grace, New Foundland, August 7, 1904. She married in Paris, France, September 16, 1930 the Reverend G. MacGregor Grant, born in Argyle, Minnesota, April 12, 1903. He was the son of David Kenzie and Isobel (MacGregor) Grant, who was a granddaughter of the the Reverend James MacGregor who came to Nova Scotia from Scotland in 1786 and was the first Presbyterian clergyman in the province.

The Reverend Mr. Grant received his training for the ministry at Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Pine Hill Divinity Hall, Halifax, and Edinborough University, Scotland. He had churches in New Brunswick, Manitoba, and Toronto. He was minister of the Rosedale United Church in Toronto; he served in the Royal Canadian Air Force as chaplain, stationed at Montreal in World War II.

687. (William Douglas[8], Harry A.[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

William Douglas Viets, son of Harry Augustus and Kathleen Ora (Johnston) Viets, was born October 7, 1921 in Brooklyn, New York. He married in Springfield, Massachusetts, February 18, 1942 Norma Abbey Roberts, born in Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, January 4, 1922, daughter of Arthur Lawrence and Abbie E. (Grady) Roberts. They were divorced in 1962. He married second in Stowe, Vermont, in 1965 Harriet Prince Holmes. They were divorced in 1972.

Mr Viets was in service in World War II in the South Pacific. He was a bomber navigator on a B-25 doing night raiding of Japanese convoys. He was stationed in Hawaii, Marshall Islands, Saipan, and Iwo Jima. He was an airline pilot and mechanical engineer, now retired. His hobbies are ocean sailing, iceboating, and luge. He resides in Nahant, Massachusetts. Children, by first marriage:

864. i. William Douglas II, born March 13, 1943.

By second marriage:

ii. Kathleen Ruth, born February 2, 1967. She is married and has one child.
iii. Susan Todd, born December 21, 1969.

**688. (John Campbell[8], Robert B.[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])**

John Campbell "Peter" Viets, son of Robert Botsford and Helena Campbell (Hughson) Viets, was born September 11, 1921 in Ottawa, Canada. He was educated in Ashbury College in Ottawa and at Toronto University where he received his B.A. degree. He qualified as a lieutenant of infantry and in 1944 was made captain of an artillery regiment. His citation for his military service follows:

Captain John Campbell Viets, Military Cross, Royal Canadian Artillery

On April 23, 1945, Captain Viets, 6 Canadian Field Regiment, R.C.A., was acting as forward observation officer with "D" Company Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada who were attacking Kirchatten. The attack was successful, but at approximately 5 p.m. a strong counter-attack developed against the company position. Due to the thickness of the woods the enemy was soon in very close contact.

Captain Viets, due to mines, was unable to get his carrier forward of company headquarters. Even with using a remote control he was unable to obtain observation and at the same time remain in direct communication with his guns. He accordingly posted his assistant under cover of a house and boldly went forward past the leading infantry to a point of vantage. There, standing cooly under heavy enemy fire, he directed the fire of his guns on the attacking enemy, shouting his orders back to his assistant.

He controlled the fire of his guns with great skill and with a complete diseregard for his own safety, bringing the fire to within forty yards of his own position, though he himself was completely without cover. So accurate was his fire that the enemy was thoroughly disorganized and the counter-attack routed. The flanking battalion was then able to continue its advance and the larger moves of other formations proceeded unchecked.

This officer, both by his example of personal bravery, which was an inspiration to the infantry, and by the skillful use of his fire, was very largely personally responsible for the success of the local action with its consequent effect of bringing to a successful conclusion the brigade operation.

After his service he returned to Canada and entered Osgoode Law School in Toronto.

He married in Toronto, Ontario, August 5, 1949 Mary Elizabeth Johnston, born April 22, 1923 in Toronto, daughter of William and Elva Maude (Brown) Johnston. He died November 24, 1952 in Ottawa. Mrs. Viets married second Horatio Nelson Lay. Children:

865. i. John Peter, born March 9, 1951.
866. ii. Robert William, born October 3, 1952.

**689. (Roger Digby[8], Robert B.[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])**

Roger Digby Viets, son of Robert Botsford and Helena Campbell (Hughson) Viets, was born November 27, 1923 in Ottawa, Canada. He was baptized in the Holy Trinity Church of Digby, Nova Scotia, of which his great, great, great, grandfather, the Reverend Roger Viets, was the first rector. He married Celia Audrey James, born in Wales October 20 1931, daughter of Thomas Bowen and Mary Jane (William) James. Mr. Viets is an attorney and Mrs. Viets is a medical doctor. Children, born in Ottawa, Canada:

i. Deborah Jane, born January 20, 1960.
ii. Mark Robert, born August 17, 1961.
iii. Susan Mary, born April 5, 1963.

**690. (Elizabeth Jane[8], Robert B.[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])**

Elizabeth Jane Viets, daughter of Robert Botsford and Helena Campbell (Hughson) Viets, was born January 5, 1929 in Ottawa, Canada. She married first, on October 1, 1949 George Perley-Robertson, and second, Donald Fleming. Children:

i. George Perley-Robertson Jr.,born ca 1953.
ii. Ann Perley-Robertson, born ca 1956.
iii. Susan Fleming, born ca 1964.
iv. Harold Fleming (twin), born ca 1965.
v. Robert Fleming (twin), born ca 1965.

**691. (Arthur Henry Albert[8], Eugene F.[7], Fayette[6], Capt. Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])**

Arthur Henry Albert Viets, son of Eugene Fayette and Anna L. (Towslee) Viets, was born May 1892 in Pawlet, Vermont. He married September 27, 1913 in East Bridgewater, Massachusetts, Pearl Evelyn Bouldry, daughter of James and Clara T. V. (Perry) Bouldry. [VR, Massachusetts, 1913, V620.] His occupation was listed on the marriage records as saw straightener. They separated before 1926 and he married again in 1937 [VR, Massachusetts, Index, FHF#0959032] Eva Rollins, daughter of _____ and Phoebe Rollins. They retired in Fort Myers,

Florida, where Mr. Viets died in 1980 or 1981. [Information from niece, Florence Alson (Viets) Garrahan, Providence, Rhode Island.] Child:

867. i. Harry Chester, born April 14, 1915.

692. (Harry Alson[8], Eugene F.[7], Fayette[6], Capt. Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Harry Alson Viets, son of Eugene Fayette and Anna L. (Towslee) Viets, was born May 25, 1895 in Claremont, New Hampshire. He married April 3, 1920 in Bridgewater, Massachusetts, Charlotte A. Randall, daughter of George W. and Sophia (Ripley) Randall. [VR, Massachusetts, 1920, V16.] Mr. Viets was a machinist with the Carver Cotton Gin Company. He died April 4, 1971 in Lakeville, Massachusetts. [VR, Massachusetts, 1971, V56.] Children:

868. i. Florence Alson, born April 4, 1922.
869. ii. Warren Randall, born May 18, 1923.

693. (Harry Slade[8], Harry S.[7], Martin H.[6], Capt. Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Harry Slade Viets Jr., son of Frances Cheney (Jones) and Harry Slade Viets Sr., was born April 9, 1917 in Hoosick Falls, New York. He married April 17, 1943 Lucille A. Davis, born June 10, 1917 in Jefferson, Maine, daughter of LeForrest Jones and Maud (Hart) Davis. Mr. Viets is a milk dairy engineer, master mechanic, and electrician. His hobbies are photography, gardening, and woodworking. His wife enjoys needlework and reading. They reside in Portland, Maine. No children.

694. (Carlton Jones[8], Harry S.[7], Martin H.[6], Capt. Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Carlton Jones Viets, son of Frances Cheney (Jones) and Harry Slade Viets Sr., was born October 18, 1919 in Hoosick Falls, New York. He married first Ruth _____; he married second October 18, 1980 Roberta Shaw, daughter of Kenneth G. and Augusta H. (Palmer) Shaw. He was a mechanic assembler before World War II at the American Locomotive Factory in Watervliet, New York, and later worked twenty-five years for Oak Industries in Hoosick Falls. He served with the Navy during World War II. Mr. Viets died July 23, 1984.

695. (Carolyn Grace[8], Harry S.[7], Martin H.[6], Capt. Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Carolyn Grace Viets, daughter of Frances Cheney (Jones) and Harry Slade Viets Sr., was born June 2, 1925 in Albany, New York. She married June 22, 1946 Fred A. Schmigel, son of Edward and Pauline (Kulick) Schmigel. They reside in Hoosick Falls, New York. Children:

i. Richard Dennis Schmigel, born September 28, 1947 in Hoosick Falls.
ii. Donald Arthur Schmigel, born September 30, 1948 in Hoosick Falls.
iii. Fred A. Schmigel Jr., born November 18, 1953 in Cambridge, New York.
iv. Gerald Edward Schmigel, born October 8, 1955 in Bennington, Vermont.

696. (Ouida[8], Harry E.[7], Byron M.[6], Rev. Rodney[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Ouida Viets, daughter of Harry Earl and Elgen (Ostrander) Viets, was born February 24, 1903 in Hampden, Ohio. She married September 5, 1920 F. Melvin Andrews, born January 10, 1897 in Mentor, Ohio, son of Frank and Suzanna (Brooks) Andrews. Mrs. Andrews died April 23, 1934. Children:

i. F. Melvin Andrews Jr., born February 21, 1921 in Painesville, Ohio.
ii. Clara Andrews, born August 26, 1922 in Mentor; married February 11, 1939 John Bollas Jr., born April 26, 1917 in Fairport, Ohio, son of John and Elizabeth (Nagy) Bollas. They resided in Painesville, Ohio.
iii. Janet Andrews, born January 3, 1924 in Mentor.
iv. Gordon Andrews, born March 12, 1934 in Mentor.

697. (William Andrew[8], Rollin S.[7], Philander D.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

William Andrew Viets, son of Rollin Sackett and Clara Lucinda (Dyson) Viets, was born July 10, 1882 in Evansville, Indiana. He married October 16, 1911 Freda Freund, born April 20, 1889 in Evansville, daughter of H. A. and Nora (French) Freund. They resided in Vincennes, Indiana. Children, born in Vincennes [VR, Vincennes, Knox County, Indiana, FHF#1299981]:

870. i. Robert Coil, born January 10, 1916.
ii. Dorothy Jean, born March 23, 1918.

698. (Edith[8], Rollin S.[7], Philander D.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Edith Viets, daughter of Rollin Sackett and Clara Lucinda (Dyson) Viets, was born July 29, 1886 in Evansville, Indiana; married October 21, 1908 Arthur H. Schor, born July 31, 1886 in Evansville, son of Rheinhold E. and Mary (Schnitte) Schor. They resided in Evansville. No children.

699. (Vivian[8], Charles F.[7], Philander D.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Vivian Viets, son of Charles Fellows and Bernadena (Lohoff) Viets, was born January 10, 1890 in Evansville, Indiana. He married March 23, 1918 Inez

Stallman, born May 10, 1890, daughter of Charles and Florence (Whitlock) Mitchell. She was adopted by Herman and Mary (Langenwalter) Stallman. They resided in Evansville. Child:

i. Florence Jane, born June 25, 1926 in Evansville.

Note: Some information on the following five families was provided by Yvette (Viets) Flaten, daughter of Wayne Ralph Viets. She resides in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

700. (Vivian Viola[8], Ralph S.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Vivian Viola Viets, daughter of Ralph Simpson and Emma Belzina (Kulbeck) Viets, was born November 23, 1904 in Colfax, Wisconsin. At age six she contracted poliomyelitis and suffered permanent paralysis of the legs. With the use of leg braces, crutches, and a wheel chair she was able to get around, although in her last few years she was almost bedridden. She married in Colfax August 11, 1931 Lloyd Lucien Grimsrud, born August 21, 1909 in Juneberry, Minnesota, son of Herman J. and Mary Gena (Berget) Grimsrud. They were divorced and she lived with her father after the death of her mother. She died June 5, 1980 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Child:

i. Lucien Patricia Grimsrud, born February 1, 1932 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. She married Mickey Glasier.

701. (Byron Kulbeck[8], Ralph S.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Byron Kulbeck Viets, son of Ralph Simpson and Emma Belzina (Kulbeck) Viets, was born December 24, 1906 in Colfax, Wisconsin. He married January 30, 1937 Elizabeth Agnes Salmon, born August 1, 1908 in Emerald, Wisconsin, daughter of Patrick Leo and Catherine (Jackelen) Salmon. He trapped, fished, and hunted all his life: a great woodsman. He lived in Wyoming and Colorado for many years where he worked for surveying companies. He later moved to Winter, Wisconsin, where he owned and ran the Winter Motel there from 1955 to his death, August 28, 1976. Mrs. Viets died in 1978. No children.

702. (Wayne Ralph[8], Ralph S.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Wayne Ralph Viets, son of Ralph Simpson and Emma Belzina (Kulbeck) Viets, was born January 12, 1917 in Colfax, Wisconsin. He grew up hunting and fishing with his brothers and cousins. He enlisted in the Air Corps in World War II and served in the 305th Bomb Group, 8th Air Force, Chelveston, England. He met his wife-to-be, Joyce Laura Ette, in Northampton, England. They married in Greeley, Colorado, February 4, 1947. Mrs. Viets was born December 11, 1926 in Northampton, daughter of Arthur James and Anne Elizabeth (Kinch) Ette.

After the war Mr. Viets re-enlisted in 1951 in the U.S. Air Force. He was on active duty for twenty years, serving in England, France, Thailand, Spain, and various U.S. bases. He retired with rank of master sergeant in 1974. They reside in Colfax, Dunn County, Wisconsin. Child:

871. i. Yvette Anne, born August 20, 1952.

703. (Hollis William[8], Ralph S.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Hollis William Viets, son of Ralph Simpson and Emma Belzina (Kulbeck) Viets, was born in Colfax, Wisconsin, January 12, 1920. He married June 9, 1945 Vergene Erickson, born March 3, 1924 in Colfax, daughter of August and Edna (Heintz) Erickson. Mr. Viets was in the U.S. Air Force in World War II, remaining in as a career from January 1941 to March 1964 when he retired. He is now a tree farmer. Mr. Viets likes to camp and fish. Mrs. Viets' hobbies are sewing and doing volunteer work for church and community. She says her greatest achievement is having "lived 43 years with a Viets, and 19 years as an Air Force wife." They reside in Colfax, Dunn County, Wisconsin. Children:

872. i. Michael James, born May 1946.
873. ii. Terry William, born November 1948.
874. iii. Donald Byron, born May 30, 1953.

704. (Zelda Sybil[8], Ralph S.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Zelda Sybil Viets, daughter of Ralph Simpson and Emma Belzina (Kulbeck) Viets, was born February 28, 1924 in Colfax, Wisconsin. She married first in Waukegan, Illinois, May 1941 Perry Pickett Jr., son of Perry and Grace (Schmaltz) Pickett. They separated and she married second, Robert Bednorz, and third, Roger Vick. Mrs. Vick resides in Lompoc, California. Children:

i. Wayne James Pickett, born January 6, 1942 in Waukegan, Illinois; married first April 5, 1961 Elaine Fisher, second May 20, 1975 Mary Howlett, third April 17, 1982 Carol Walter. Two children (Pickett).
ii. Sybil Roberta Pickett, born January 15, 1943 in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin; married August 22, 1959 Joseph Rutherford. Five children (Rutherford).
iii. Neil Perry Pickett, born July 12, 1947 in Ketchikan, Alaska. Unmarried.
iv. Irene Charlotte Pickett, born October 25, 1948 in Medford, Oregon; married first John Mullins, second on December 31, 1978 Tom Garner. Four children.

705. (Elaine Veda[8], Jay B.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Elaine Veda Viets, daughter of Jay Burton and Mabel (Ferguson) Viets, was born January 20, 1914 in Colfax, Wisconsin. She married Eugene Hedrington, born February 27, 1908 in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, son of Anthony and Josephine (Hebert) Hedrington. They reside in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. Children, born in Chippewa Falls:

i. Roger William Hedrington, born August 6, 1932.
ii. Patricia Ruth Hedrington, born February 8, 1936.
iii. Bonita Jean Hedrington, born November 7, 1937.
iv. Judith Ann Hedrington, born March 7, 1939.
v. Janice Mae Hedrington, born September 6, 1940.

706. (Eldon Noel[8], Jay B.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Eldon Noel Viets, son of Jay Burton and Mabel (Ferguson) Viets, was born October 18, 1916 in Colfax, Wisconsin. He married September 24, 1939 Mildred Specht, born April 12, 1922 in Edgar, Wisconsin, daughter of Frank and Ida (Stein) Specht. Child:

i. Jay Eldon, born July 10, 1940 in New London, Wisconsin.

707. (Valerie Maurine[8], Jay B.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Valerie Maurine Viets, daughter of Jay Burton and Mabel (Ferguson) Viets, was born February 8, 1919 in Colfax, Wisconsin. She married October 12, 1940 Thomas Joseph Harper, born November 8, 1919 in Downsville, Wisconsin, son of William and Edith (Flick) Harper. They reside in Colfax, Wisconsin.

708. (Hazel Bernice[8], Frank A.[7], Apollos K.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Hazel Bernice Viets, daughter of Frank Abner and Gertrude S. (Miller) Viets, was born in LaCrosse, Wisconsin, March 4, 1892. She married June 23, 1919 Ervin W. Chamberlain, M.D., born in LaCrosse October 6, 1892, son of Frank O. and Alice (Symons) Chamberlain, both natives of Maine. They resided in LaCrosse. Children:

i. Marilyn Miller Chamberlain, born January 10, 1922.
ii. Frances Ann Chamberlain, born July 7, 1928.

709. (Jessie Rae[8], Clayton L.[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Jessie Rae Viets, daughter of Clayton Leander and Carrie Baker (Viets) Viets, was born in LaCrosse, Wisconsin, October 29, 1884. She married January 7, 1910 Lee George Asplin, born in Clear Lake, Iowa, June 28, 1884, son of Albert

and Winnie (Wheeler) Asplin. They resided in LaCrosse. Mrs. Asplin died in Minnesota June 11, 1948. No children.

**710. (Clayton Rupert[8], Clayton L.[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Clayton Rupert Viets, son of Clayton Leander and Carrie Baker (Viets) Viets, was born September 25, 1886 in Kansas. The 1930 LaCrosse, Wisconsin, city directory lists a C. R. Viets with wife Florence, as well as Carrie B., widow of Clayton Leander Viets. Mr. Viets died in 1946 in Minnesota.

**711. (Della Blanche[8], Clayton L.[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Della Blanche Viets, daughter of Clayton L. and Carrie Baker (Viets) Viets, was born in Augusta, Kansas, November 5, 1891. She married in Wichita, Kansas, January 15, 1913 Harold Louis Nealeigh, born in Marysville, Missouri, March 3, 1891, son of William R. and Louisa Jane (Trapp) Nealeigh. He died February 7, 1938. Mrs. Nealeigh resided in Hollywood, California; married second a Mr. Tidrick. Children:

i. Harold Clayton Nealeigh, born May 24, 1915 in Wichita, Kansas.
ii. Jack Rupert Nealeigh, born July 29, 1917 in West Salem, Wisconsin.
iii. Eugene Allison Nealeigh, born May 22, 1919 in West Salem.
iv. Jerry Lee Nealeigh, born May 16, 1928 in Kansas City, Missouri.

**712. (Lois Allison[8], Charles A.[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Lois Allison Viets, daughter of Charles Allison and Mary Stella (Sullivan) Viets, was born in Augusta, Kansas, July 17, 1889. She married February 9, 1922 Albert B. Royce, born in Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin. They resided in Augusta. Mrs. Royce died there February 2, 1960. [The cemetery records were transcribed by A. J. Viets, Dallas, Texas, May 31, 1985.] No children.

**713. (Hazel Stella[8], Charles A.[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Hazel Stella Viets, daughter of Charles Allison and Mary Stella (Sullivan) Viets, was born in Augusta, Kansas, November 14, 1890. She married August 29, 1917 Raymond Dixon Logue, born in Oil City, Pennsylvania, November 5, 1889, son of Snowden K. and Margaret (Morrow) Logue. Mr. Logue died September 25, 1949. They resided in Manhattan Beach, California. Children:

i. Viets Snowden Logue, born in Eldorado, Kansas, December 2, 1919; married February 16, 1941 Aloha Marie Daniels, born in Oxnard, California, October 3, 1919, daughter of Fred Jackson and Iva E. (Zlinden) Daniels. No children.

ii. Donald Allison Logue, born June 21, 1923 in Augusta, Kansas. He married Mary Elizabeth _____, December 30, 1949. Three children (Logue).

714. (Arthur James[8], Arthur J.[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Arthur James "Jack" Viets, son of Arthur J. and Beulah (McKitrick) Viets, was born in Woodward, Oklahoma, October 26, 1907. He married in San Antonio, Texas, October 1, 1938 Virginia Elizabeth Alcorn, born in Mansfield, Missouri, September 2, 1917, daughter of Marshall Breckenridge and Beulah E. (Harrell) Alcorn. Jack worked for the Sun Oil Company of Dallas for 45 years, first as a secretary, then as a scout, and finally a land manager. The family lived in several cities in Texas, and in Jackson, Mississippi, where their children were born. They now reside in Dallas where he retired in 1970.

When asked about his achievements he writes "Only as a good husband and father and hard work which led to the highest position available in the Land Department of the Sun Oil Company (Division Land Manager) even in the face of the lack of a formal education." His hobbies are bird hunting and fresh and salt water fishing. Jack states that Virginia's achievements are "being a good wife and mother." Her hobby is history and both Jack and Virginia are very interested in the Viets family history. He has provided much information on his branch of the family. Children:

875. i. Virginia Louise, born July 20, 1946.

ii. A. James "Jim," born January 8, 1948. Jim has a degree in architecture from Washington State University in 1971. He has been with Constructors and Associates in Dallas who finish out interior offices. At the present (1987) he is located in Hana, Maui, Hawaii, completing the Hotel Hana Maui for opening. Unmarried.

715. (Richard Alexander[8], Arthur J.[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Richard Alexander Viets (twin of Robert Leander), son of Arthur J. and Beulah (McKitrick) Viets, was born in Wichita Falls, Texas, May 16, 1915. He married first October 12, 1941 Ethel D. Smith, born in Rush Springs, Oklahoma, daughter of Robert G. and Meda Ethel (Hogue) Smith. They were divorced and he married Lota Cole in 1945. As his third wife he married Geneva Stubblefield in Wichita Falls in 1965. He suffered from asthma all of his life. He died August 25, 1983 in Wichita Falls. His widow and their two children live in Fort Worth, Texas. Children, by second marriage:

i. Norma Jean, born June 22, 1946. She married _____ Hail; they are divorced.

By third marriage:

ii. Brenda Kay, born July 15, 1966.
iii. Stephen Allen, born November 7, 1968.

716. (Frank Garfield[8], Frank G.[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Frank Garfield Viets Jr., son of Frank Garfield and Reba Belle (Taylor) Viets, was born in Stanberry, Missouri, April 3, 1916. He married December 28, 1938 Virginia L. Stanberry, born in Yuma, Colorado, October 14, 1917, daughter of Harlan and Clara Ellen (Gossett) Stanberry. Mr. Viets majored in agronomy and received his Ph.D. from the University of California in 1941. Mrs. Viets died February 27, 1987 in Fort Collins, Colorado. Mr. Viets has a ranch in the mountains of Colorado where he and his family enjoy the summer. He makes his home in Fort Collins.

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Viets, Frank Garfield, Jr., agrl. cons; b. Stanberry Mo., Apr. 3, 1916; s. Frank Garfield and Reba (Taylor) V.; B.S. Colo. State U. 1937; M.S., U. Calif., Davis, 1939; Ph.D., U., Calif. Berkeley, 1942; m. Virginia L. Stanberry, December 28, 1938; children - Sandra Kay, John Garfield, James Norman. Chemist, Cutter Labs., Berkeley, 1942-44; assoc. agrl. chemist S.D. State U., Brookings, 1944-45; soil scientist Bur. Plant Industry, Soils and Agri. Engring, U.S. Dept. Agr., Prosser, Wash., 1945-53, prin. soil scientist Soil and Water Conservation Research div Agri. Research Service, Ft. Collins, Colo., 1953-61, chief soil scientist, 1961-74, ret., 1974, collaborator 1974-; vis. prof. U. Ill., Urbana, 1959, Iowa State U., 1964, Colo. State U., 1974, U. Sask. (Can), 1975; asso editor Soil Sci. Soc. Am., 1960-62, editor-in-chief, 1962-66. Recipient Superior Service award U.S. Dept. Agr. 1955. Distinguished Service award, 1972. Fellow AAAS, Am. Soc. Agronony, Soil Sci. Soc. Am; mem. Internat. Western (pres.) socs. soil sci. Am. Soc. Sugar Beet Technol., Sigma Xi, Phi Kappa Phi, Mason. Contbr. numerous articles proff. jours. Home and office: 102 Yale Way, Fort Collins CO 80521.

Children:

876. i. Sandra Kay, born September 5, 1941.
877. ii. John Garfield, born November 16, 1944.
878. iii. James Norman, born August 12, 1953.

717. (Elizabeth Alice[8], Frank G.[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Elizabeth Alice Viets, daughter of Frank Garfield and Reba Belle (Taylor) Viets, was born in Denver, Colorado, September 28, 1918. She married January 7, 1940 Phillip Frederick Bailey, born in Denver January 7, 1918, son of Hugh D. and Sophia H. (Olmsted) Bailey. Mrs. Bailey was graduated from Colorado Woman's College in 1938 where she majored in voice. Resides in Elko, Nevada (1984). Children:

i. Marla Bailey, born August 8, 1942 in Denver, Colorado; married George Ramey.
ii. Darrell Bailey, born October 30, 1945 in Denver; married Janis End.
iii. Linda Bailey, born May 7, 1953 in Greeley, Colorado; married Don Munk.

718. (Vaughn Cassius[8], Floyd H.[7], Cassius M.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Vaughn Cassius Viets, son of Floyd Harvey and Susan (Thompson) Viets, was born June 30, 1914. He married first in Los Angeles October 24, 1936 Clarissa Daugherty. They resided in Los Angeles. Mr. Viets died May 16, 1982 in Yuba County. [VR, California, FHM#6332564.] His widow was listed as "E. B. Viets." Child:

i. Diana Louise, born October 22, 1939.

719. (Virginia Myrtle[8], Drayton A.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Virginia Myrtle Viets, daughter of Drayton Alonzo and Myrtle I. (Johnson) Viets, was born April 30, 1921 in Youngstown, Ohio. She married in Boston, Massachusetts, on December 22, 1942 Harrison Emery Cramer, born May 27, 1919 in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, son of Frank Wilson and Ella Field (Emery) Cramer. Mrs. Cramer is a housewife who enjoys sewing, knitting and bridge. Mr. Cramer is an environmental scientist, now retired. He served in the U.S. Navy in World War II.

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CRAMER, HARRISON EMERY, environmental scientist; b. Johnstown, Pa, May 27, 1919; s. Frank Wilson and Ella Field (Emery) C.; m. Virginia Myrtle Viets, Dec. 22, 1942; children: Anne Cramer Tupker, Dorothy Cramer Kitchen, Nancy Cramer Donoghue, William H. AB, Amherst Coll., 1941; SM, MIT, 1943, ScD, 1948. Lab. inst. MIT, Cambridge, 1942-44, research assoc., 1946-1949, research meteorologist, 1949-65; dir. environ. scis. lab. tech. div. GCA Corp., Bedford, Mass., 1965-72; pres. H. E. Cramer Co., Inc., Salt Lake City, 1972-85; cons. Salt Lake City, 1986-; mem. shuttle environ. effects team NASA, 1981. Contbr. articles to prof. jours. Served as ensign USNR, 1944-46, PTO. Amherst (Coll.) Meml. fellow, 1941-42. Fellow AAAS, Am. Meterol. Soc., Royal Meterol. Soc; mem. Air Pollution Control Assn., Am. Geophys. Union, Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi. Home: 1581 Millbrook Rd Salt Lake City UT 84106

Children:

i. Anne Viets Cramer, born 4 July 1944 in Youngstown, Ohio. She married as her first husband, Anthony Nuland. She married second

July 23, 1975 in New York, New York, Arie Christiaan Tupker, born February 12, 1944 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, son of Johannes Cornelis and Anna Maria (LaBrand) Tupker. Two daughters (Tupker).

ii. Dorothy Elizabeth Cramer, born October 26, 1946 in Boston. She married as her first husband, Frank W. Kennedy. One son (Kennedy). She married second on March 2, 1981 in Las Vegas Steven Mark Kitchen, born January 10, 1949 in Santa Monica, California, son of James Donald and Virginia (McConnell) Kitchen. They reside in San Diego, California.

iii. Nancy Emery Cramer, born September 30, 1952 in New Bedford, Massachusetts. She married on August 24, 1974 in Salt Lake City, Utah, Paul Beattie Donoghue, born September 28, 1951 in Watertown, New York, son of Leo Francis and Christine Petibone (Beattie) Donoghue. Four children (Donoghue).

iv. William H. Cramer, born January 4, 1961 in New Bedford, Massachusetts. Unmarried.

720. (Dorothy Alma[8], Drayton A.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Dorothy Alma Viets, daughter of Drayton Alonzo and Myrtle I. (Johnson) Viets, was born September 9, 1923. She married Charles Thomas Glines, son of Thomas J. Glines, of Norwich, Connecticut. She was educated at Allegheny and Skidmore Colleges. Mr. Glines attended Dartmouth. He served with the U.S. Army in Italy in World War II. They reside in Greenwich, Connecticut, where they are in the real estate business. They have three children (Glines).

721. (Leola Claire[8], Leonard C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Leola Claire Viets, daughter of Leonard Clark and Mary Ella (Blackburn) Viets, was born September 30, 1889 in Fowler, Ohio. She married September 7, 1916 David C. Gilmore, born September 14, 1886 in Bellaire, Ohio, son of Andrew and Mary Ann (Thomas) Gilmore. They resided in Youngstown, Ohio. Mr. Gilmore died November 5, 1942. Child:

i. Mary Ella Gilmore, born August 16, 1917 in Youngstown. She married Walter H. Mikulski, December 19, 1920. One daughter (Mikulski).

722. (Lloyd Oscar[8], Leonard C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Lloyd Oscar Viets, son of Leonard Clark and Mary Ella (Blackburn) Viets, was born August 23, 1891 in Fowler, Ohio. He married September 8, 1914 in Youngstown, Ohio, Pearl Mae Wehr, born August 8, 1893 in Warren, Ohio, daughter of Myron I. and Margaret E. (Stambaugh) Wehr. Mrs. Viets was a member of Eastern Star, the Christian Church, and an active member of the Community Women's Club. She died October 5, 1940 and was buried in Youngstown, Ohio. He died September 18, 1947. They resided in Weirton, West

Virginia, where Mr. Viets was employed by the Weirton Steel Company. Children:

879. i. Lloyd Oscar Jr., born February 28, 1919.
880. ii. Marian, born August 2, 1933.

723. (Charles Eugene[8], Leonard C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Eugene Viets, son of Leonard Clark and Mary Ella (Blackburn) Viets, was born April 27, 1893 in Fowler, Ohio. He married June 15, 1916 in Wheeling, West Virginia, Ethel E. Cochran, a descendant of the Cochran family and listed in Chronicles of the Cochran Family. Resided in Wheeling, West Virginia. No children.

724. (Raymond Austin[8], Leonard C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Raymond "Ray" Austin Viets, son of Leonard Clark and Mary Ella (Blackburn) Viets, was born May 28, 1895 in Fowler, Ohio. He married first July 28, 1938 Clara Cornelia (Vanderhoff) Braker. She died July 22, 1946 in Cleveland. [Obituary, Cleveland Blade.] He married second Janet Robb. At the time of his death he was vice-president and a member of the board of Greif Bros. Cooperage Company. His children are unknown although his obituary states that he was the grandfather of Heather and David Blanchard. He died January 17, 1973; he resided in Delaware, Ohio, and was buried in Oak Grove Cemetery there. [Obituary, Olive Press, January 17, 1973.]

725. (Ella Mildred[8], Abner C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ella Mildred Viets, daughter of Abner C. Jr. and Etta (Doud) Viets, was born April 28, 1895 in Fowler, Ohio. She married July 4, 1917 James Grover Reed, born July 26, 1892 in East Liverpool, Ohio, son of J. S. and Lydia (Wylie) Reed. Resided in Warren, Ohio. Children, born in Warren:

i. Evelyn Reed, born May 25, 1918; married December 20, 1936 Donald William Smith, born November 18, 1916 in Warren, son of Jacob H. and Kittie E. (Clemmens) Smith. Resided in Warren. Three children (Smith).
ii. Grace Arlene Reed, born June 10, 1921.
iii. James Robert Reed, born May 7, 1923.
iv. Charles Wesley Reed, born May 25, 1926.

726. (Harold L.[8], Abner C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Harold L . Viets, son of Abner C. Jr. and Etta (Doud) Viets, was born June 17, 1900 in Niles, Ohio. He married October 16, 1919 Helen Ruby Webb, born May 16, 1901 in Green, Ohio, daughter of Lee and Ella (Criddle) Webb. Mr. Viets

was founder of the Viets Motor Company in Vienna, Ohio. He died January 7, 1981 in Vienna. Mrs. Viets lives in Vienna and is very active in the Vienna Methodist Church. Children:

881. i. Robert Lucius, born May 2, 1922.
882. ii. Vera Arlene, born November 12, 1923.
883. iii. Ella Mildred, born October 29, 1925.
884. iv. Arthur Ronald, born September 25, 1940.

**727. (Eva Belle[8], Eugene E.[7], Dudley L.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Eva Belle Viets, daughter of Eugene Elmo and Hazel Belle (Beardsley) Viets, was born June 22, 1909 in Cleveland, Ohio. She married September 27, 1930 George T. Phelps, born November 10, 1906 in New Castle, Pennsylvania, son of Thomas C. and Susan (Rigby) Phelps. Mr. Phelps was a teacher in the high school in Struthers, Ohio. He has a B.S. and M.A. from Duke University. Mrs. Phelps is a graduate of Bethany College, West Virginia, in 1930. Children, born in New Castle, Pennsylvania:

i. Donald Eugene Phelps, born November 17, 1932.
ii. Marjorie Jean Phelps, born September 23, 1939.

**728. (Edwin Dudley[8], Eugene E.[7], Dudley L.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Edwin Dudley Viets, son of Eugene Elmo and Hazel Belle (Beardsley) Viets, was born November 15, 1921 in Cleveland, Ohio. He married January 19, 1940 Camille Ann Shonts, born November 27, 1922 in Lisbon, Ohio, daughter of Wilbert A. and Clara (Oliver) Shonts. Mr. Viets attended Ohio University. Child:

i. Barbara Ann, born 1941 in Youngstown, Ohio.

**729. (Elton Willard[8], Van Buren D.[7], Henry A.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Elton Willard Viets, son of Dr. Van Buren Dudley and Minnie M. (Arthurholt) Viets, was born October 26, 1898 in Youngstown, Ohio. He married August 26, 1922 Lucille R. Ohland, born December 20, 1899 in Saginaw, Michigan, daughter of Edward and Margaret (Moloughney) Ohland. He served in World War I. [Official Roster of Ohio Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, World War, 1917-1918, FHF#0195430.] Resided Nichols, Connecticut. Mr. Viets died in March, 1949. No children.

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VIETS, Lucille Ohland (Mrs. Elton W. Viets), social worker; b. Saginaw, Mich.; d. Edward C. and Margaret (Mcloughney) Ohland; R.N., U. Mich. Sch. Nursing, 1921; married Elton W. Viets, August 26, 1922 (dec. March 1949).

Pub. health nurse, Flint (Mich.) Schs., 1923-1935; dir nursing Red Cross, Bridgeport, Conn., 1943-1945, dir. vol. bur., 1951---; owner Island Brook Gift Shop, 1949-52. Mem. Am. Pub. Relations Assn, Nat. Assn. Vol. Burs., Conn. Soc. Gerontology, Am. Nurses Assn. Club; Quota (pres. 1964). Home: 19 Woodcrest Av., Nichols, Conn. 06611. Office: 932 Broad, Bridgeport, Conn. 06603.

730. (Dorothy Whitcomb[8], Charles S.[7], Oliver B.[6], Dr. Oliver[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Dorothy Whitcomb Viets, daughter of Charles Sumner and Jennie (Whitcomb) Viets, was born November 23, 1904 in Schenectady, New York. She married May 25, 1929 Harry Eugene Scott, born March 15, 1893 in Lewiston, New York, son of Frank E. and Sylvia A. (Williams) Scott. Mrs. Scott was graduated from Albany State Teacher's College in 1925. She was an active member in St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Lewiston. Her obituary lists as survivors: 4 children, 2 stepchildren, 15 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren, 1 great, great, grandchild, 13 stepgrandchildren and 25 great stepgrandchildren. Mr. Scott died November 14, 1961; Mrs. Scott died March 11, 1988 in Lewiston. [Obituary, newspaper not known, Lewiston, New York, March 1988.] Children:

i. Anne Marie Scott, born September 27, 1930 at Niagara Falls, New York. She married _____ Jackson.
ii. Charles David Scott, born October 22, 1931 in Lewiston.
iii. Helen Joan Scott, born April 16, 1934 in Lewiston. She married _____ Heineman.
iv. James A. Scott.

731. (Helen Margaret[8], Charles S.[7], Oliver B.[6], Dr. Oliver[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Helen Margaret Viets, daughter of Charles Sumner and Jennie (Whitcomb) Viets, was born August 31, 1906 in Schenectady, New York. She married November 15, 1932 Charles Lester Cannon, born October 26, 1902 at Port Henry, New York, son of George J. and Anna (Penders) Cannon. Resided at Dolgeville, New York. Child:

i. Gail Elizabeth Cannon, born May 18, 1937 in Little Falls, New York.

732. (Susie G.[8], John A.[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Susie G. Viets, daughter of John A. and Susie (Capers) Viets, was born December 23, 1887 in Parker's Prairie, Minnesota. She married first _____ Cavalin. After his death she married second _____ Latham. She resided in Minnesota. Child:

i. Glenn Cavalin, born May 12, 1915; married and lived in Moorhead, Minnesota.

733. (Ethel Irene[8], John A.[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ethel Irene Viets, daughter of John A. and Nancy Ann (Buffey) Viets, was born January 21, 1894 in Chiwaukum, a station on the Great Northern Railroad eleven miles west of Leavenworth, Washington. She married November 25, 1914 in Newport, Washington, John Thurman Severn, born March 5, 1888 in St. Mary's, West Virginia, son of John W. and Malissa (Cronin) Severn. Resided in Benton, Arkansas. No children.

734. (Kathryn Verna[8], John A.[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Kathryn Verna Viets, daughter of John A. and Nancy Ann (Buffey) Viets, was born June 6, 1904 in Willow City, North Dakota. She married August 18, 1926 Rodger Thompson, born April 19, 1895 in San Francisco, California, son of Thomas and Rose C. (Rasmusen) Thompson. He died June 18, 1984 in Woodburn, Oregon. Mrs. Viets resides in Portland, Oregon. No children.

735. (John Francis[8], John A.[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

John Francis "Jack" Viets, son of John A. and Nancy Ann (Buffey) Viets, was born February 11, 1907 in Willow City, North Dakota. He married in Portland, Oregon, October 5, 1938 Evelyn A. Peterson, born April 22, 1911 in Oregon, daughter of John T. and Julia (Benson) Viets. Mr. Viets was in the merchant marine. He was employed by Standard Oil Company. Children:

885. i. Robert F., born January 15, 1944.
ii. William E., born May 28, 1946. He works for Bechtel Engineering. In 1984 he was working in Saudi Arabia.

736. (Clair Henry James[8], Lathrop E.[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Clair Henry James Viets, son of Lathrop Enoch and Elizabeth McCallum (Murray) Viets, was born September 30, 1893 in Elmo, Minnesota. He married December 12, 1914 Marie Cooke, born October 20, 1893 in Graceville, Minnesota, daughter of Albert and Willma (Schultz) Cooke. They resided in Fargo, North Dakota. Children:

i. Lloyd R., born May 15, 1917 in Marmarth, North Dakota.
ii. Grace E., born September 29, 1919 in Marmarth.
886. iii. Ray Albert, born February 1, 1921.
iv. Margaret Anne, born July 3, 1930 in Fargo.

737. (Leonard Wallace[8], Lathrop E.[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Leonard Wallace Viets, son of Lathrop Enoch and Elizabeth McCallum (Murray) Viets, was born November 18, 1898 in Hawley, Minnesota. He married June 19, 1921 Rachael Emily Boyd, born June 19, 1901, daughter of Daniel Willard and Albina (Barrett) Boyd. Mr. Viets worked for the U.S. Postal Service. He died March 26, 1966 in Los Angeles County. [VR, California, FHM#6332561.] Children:

i. Robert Murray, born November 8, 1922 in Rock Lake, North Dakota; died September 22, 1925 at Devil's Lake, North Dakota.
ii. Donald Willard, born October 7, 1926 in Fargo. In 1944 he was appointed to West Point as a cadet, but due to an injury was excused from duty.
iii. Delores Elizabeth, born April 8, 1930 in Fargo.
iv. Leonard Wallace Jr., born March 2, 1940 in Fargo.

738. (Robert Adron[8], Joshua Q.[7], Robert R.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert Adron Viets, son of Joshua Quincy and Maude (Tanner) Viets, was born June 24, 1919 in Barlow, Kentucky. He married December 11, 1947 in Barlow, Mary Dorris Hunter. They reside in Barlow. Children:

i. Danny Lee, born August 29, 1950 in Cairo, Illinois. Unmarried.
887. ii. Mark Steven, born October 20, 1954.

739. (Evelyn[8], William H.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Evelyn Viets, daughter of William Hobart "Bill" and Nora (Moore) Viets, was born July 2, 1909. She married Jimmy Lawler. She died in July 1963. Children:

i. Neil Lawler, born October 22, 1940; married Judy Kinser. Four children (Lawler).
ii. Ronnie Lawler, born July 25, 1942; married Elaine King. Two children (Lawler).
iii. Billy Lawler, born June 6, 1944; married first Jeanella Jones, married second _____. Two children (Lawler), one by each marriage.

740. (Kathleen[8], William H.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Kathleen Viets, daughter of William Hobart "Bill" and Nora (Moore) Viets, was born January 10, 1924. She married Earl Rudolph. Child:

i. Diane Rudolph, born June 13, 1948; married Gary Crice. Two children (Crice).

741. (Jeanette[8], William H.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Jeanette Viets, daughter of William Hobart "Bill" and Nora (Moore) Viets, was born May 1, 1926. She married in Ballard, Kentucky, Burns Ingram, born August 20, 1924, son of Thomas Hook and Grace (Crice) Ingram. He died December 1, 1985 in Paducah, Kentucky. Child:

i. Charlotte Ingram, born December 28, 1943; married Larry Boulton. Three children (Boulton).

742. (Ralph Rudd[8], Ralph M.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ralph Rudd Viets, son of Ralph Marshal and Hazel (Peal) Viets, was born December 14, 1912; married first Cleo Berry, second on June 30, 1952 Fannie Ely. Children, by first marriage:

i. Patricia, born April 30, 1936.

By second marriage:

ii. Mark, born July 24, 1957.
iii. Ralph, born June 30, 1958.
iv. Teresa, born June 17, 1959.

743. (Martha Rachel[8], Ralph M.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Martha Rachel Viets, daughter of Ralph Marshal and Hazel (Peal) Viets, was born November 20, 1927; married first Ed Williams, second Clyde Batts, and third Horace Arnett. Children:

i. Lynn Williams, born December 16, 1944; married George E. Lane.
ii. Judy Williams, born September 12, 1947; married Billy Wayne Owsley.
iii. Debbie Batts, born March 24, 1954; married Bruce Taffer.
iv. Donna Batts, born November 25, 1957; married Chuck Mayo.

744. (Billee[8], Ralph M.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Billee Viets, daughter of Ralph Marshal and Hazel (Peal) Viets, was born January 1, 1934. She married Billy Gene Foster. Children:

i. Lecia Foster, born January 17, 1956; married Jerry _____.
ii. Barbara Foster, born March 1, 1958; married Mark Vellela.

iii. David Foster.
iv. Jill Foster.

745. (Laura Ann[8], Bryan W.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Laura Ann Viets, daughter of Bryan Walcott and Annie Louise (Keller) Viets, was born September 2, 1927 in Barlow, Ballard County, Kentucky. She was raised by her aunt and uncle, Lolo Margaret (Viets) and Maurice Webster Boyd. She married July 29, 1947 in Monroe, Louisiana, Marion Junius Olmstead, born March 4, 1918 in Siloam Springs, Arkansas. He died January 30, 1985 in Mobile, Alabama. Child:

i. Webster Kellogg Olmstead, born July 21, 1955 in Monroe, Louisiana; married August 16, 1980 Angela Lorraine Davis.

746. (Bryan Royce[8], Bryan W.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Bryan Royce Viets, son of Bryan Walcott and Annie Louise (Keller) Viets, was born February 17, 1930 in Barlow, Ballard County, Kentucky. He married May 7, 1957 in Corinth, Mississippi, Clarice A. Husk, born August 8, 1917 in Casey, Kentucky, and died October 1985 in Sikeston, Missouri. No children.

747. (William Thomas[8], Bryan W.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

William Thomas Viets, son of Bryan Walcott and Annie Louise (Keller) Viets, was born October 9, 1941 in LaCenter, Ballard County, Kentucky. He married in Metropolis, Illinois, June 25, 1967 Linda Ann Davis, born July 20, 1947. They reside in Paducah, Kentucky. No children. They contributed much data on the descendants of William Hobart Viets.

748. (Mina Louise[8], Bryan W.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Mina Louise Viets, daughter of Bryan Walcott and Annie Louise (Keller) Viets, was born July 26, 1943 in LaCenter, Kentucky. She married November 26, 1960 in Union City, Tennessee, Edwin Earl Carter. Children:

i. Edwin Todd Carter, born August 8, 1962 in Kansas City, Missouri; married Janet _____. One child (Carter).
ii. Teresa Louise Carter, born April 19, 1966 in St. Louis, Missouri; married John Michael Cronika September 21, 1984.
iii. Troy Douglas Carter, born October 3, 1969 in St. Louis.

749. (Jack[8], Frederick G.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Jack Viets, son of Fredrick Gentry and Della Frances (Owen) Viets, was born May 19, 1925 in LaCenter, Ballard County, Kentucky. He started working at high school age in the men's clothing business. In the 1950s he worked for Exchange Services at Fairchild Air Force Base in Spokane, Washington, Vandenberg in Lompoc, California, and Castle in Mercedes, California. He later owned his own warehouse in San Francisco and travelled throughout the world selling only to Exchange bases. He served in World War II for two years where he managed the Post Exchange in Bamberg, Germany.

He married first Donna Elaine Stephenson. He married second in Jackson, Michigan, July 12, 1947 Marcia Lorraine Conrad, born March 23, 1926 in Momence, Kankakee, Illinois, daughter of Fredrick Richard Sr. and Mildred Frances (DeWolfe) Conrad. Her hobbies are gardening and birdwatching. Mr. Viets is now retired and they live in Paducah, Kentucky. Children, by first marriage:

888. i. Victor Frederick Viets, born July 2, 1944.

By second marriage:

889. ii. Michael Forrest, born February 15, 1950.

750. (Faye[8], Hobart[7], John O.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Faye Viets, daughter of Hobart and Stella (Moutray) Viets, was born July 7, 1912 in Stewartsville, Indiana. She married April 6, 1929 Delbert Ridens, born October 6, 1910 in Griffin, Indiana, son of Thomas and Fannie (Keeling) Ridens. Children, born in Stewartsville:

i. Weston Gale Ridens, born October 4, 1930.
ii. Thomas Elwood Ridens, born October 16, 1931.
iii. Mary Phyllis Ridens, born July 2, 1934.

751. (Ruth[8], Hobart[7], John O.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ruth Viets, daughter of Hobart and Stella (Moutray) Viets, was born January 14, 1915 in Stewartsville, Indiana. She married June 16, 1933 Chester Burkett, born July 13, 1909 in Griffin, Indiana, son of Thomas and Annie (Potter) Burkett. Child:

i. Luther Paul Burkett, born January 9, 1940.

752. (Mildred Lois[8], Percy[7], John O.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Mildred Lois Viets, daughter of Percy and Hazel Beatrice (Boyle) Viets, was born May 15, 1916 in Stewartsville, Indiana. She married February 14, 1933

Walter William Skaar, born February 12, 1915 in Svea City, Iowa, son of Lars and Edith (Arildson) Skaar, both of Norway. They reside in Rockford, Illinois. Children:

i. William Walter Skaar, born May 31, 1933 in Waterman, Illinois; married Carly Garcia.
ii. Roy Alan Skaar, born August 18, 1934 in Cortland, Illinois; married August 8, 1956 Mary Ladmeir. Three children (Skaar).
iii. Janice Carol Skaar, born July 4, 1936 in DeKalb, Illinois; married June 23, 1956 Dale Howard Anderson Sr. Four children (Anderson).
iv. Donald Lawrence Skaar, born March 27, 1938 in DeKalb; married Reta Gail Hicks. Five children (Skaar).
v. Alice Elizabeth Skaar, born April 15, 1939 in DeKalb; married David Lee Bush. Three children (Bush).
vi. Helen Louise Skaar, born June 25, 1940 in DeKalb; married Dennis Robert Stupak. Five children (Stupak).
vii. Delbert Duane Skaar, born May 30, 1941 in DeKalb; married November 16, 1961 Martha Jeanette Powell. Six children (Skaar).
viii. Karen Skaar, born May 27, 1942 in DeKalb; married February 15, 1964 Richard Carl Held. Two children (Held).
ix. Robert Melvin Skaar, born October 1, 1945 in Evansville, Indiana; married Noel Allison Haun. Three children (Skaar).
x. Judith Ann Skaar, born August 16, 1947 in Evansville; married August 6, 1966 Glenn Elmer Reader. Five children (Reader).
xi. Susan Kay Skaar, born August 8, 1948 in Evansville; died in 1949.
xii. Laura Jean Skaar, born January 26, 1953 in DeKalb; married first on June 5, 1971 Terry Harms. Married second May 18, 1984 Carl Manalli. Two children (Harms).
xiii. Walter William Skaar Jr., born October 9, 1954 in Rockford, Illinois; married June 22, 1973 Gale Lynn Bonjtes. Three children (Skaar).
xiv. Deborah Lynn Skaar, born March 13, 1956 in Rockford; married first on February 14, 1975 Robert Stremmel. Married second on November 8, 1980 Mike Viettore. Two children (Stremmel). Two children (Viettore).
xv. Jeffery Lars Skaar, born February 5, 1958 in Rockford; married July 30, 1977 Grace Korzun. Two children (Skaar).

753. (Kathryn[8], Percy[7], John O.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Kathryn Viets, daughter of Percy and Hazel Beatrice (Boyle) Viets, was born August 26, 1925 in Waterman, Illinois. She married April 17, 1948 Albert E. Gartner. They reside in Evansville, Indiana.

Children:

i. Steven E. Gartner, born April 11, 1950. Married. Resides in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania. Two children (Gartner).

ii. Sara Ann Gartner, born June 21, 1952; married _____ Morrison. Resides in Grand Rapid, Michigan. Two children (Morrison).
iii. Scott Jay Gartner, born April 18, 1955. Married. Resides in Indianapolis, Indiana. One daughter (Gartner).

754. (Myrtle F.[8], Fred S.[7], Samuel W.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1].

Myrtle F. Viets, daughter of Fred S. and Matilda (Hill) Viets, was born June 6, 1901 in Michigan. She married June 30, 1920 Roy T. Rice. They have a son and a daughter (Rice). They resided in Indianapolis in 1921.

755. (Clarence Clark[8], Samuel J.[7], Samuel W.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Clarence Clark Viets, son of Samuel James and Charlotte M. (Clark) Viets, was born July 6, 1889, probaby in Moira [?], New York. He married first, September 29, 1914 and was divorced in 1921. He married second, in Newark, New Jersey, Ruby Lake, born February 16, 1894 in Custer, South Dakota. Clarence served four years in the Navy where he was a printer. He followed that profession for some time then was a salesman in the building trades. They moved to California and he died there June 28, 1943. His widow was living in Burbank, California, in 1951. No children.

Note: The following three members of the family spelled their name Vietts.

756. (Vera[8], Herbert L.[7], William C.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Vera Vietts [sic], daughter of Herbert Leon and Carrie (Hemenway) Viets, was born December 13, 1893 in Suffield. She married October 10, 1936 James Peter Hellyar, born August 13, 1886 in Hartford, son of Thomas Edward and Margaret (Sheehan) Hellyar. They resided in Hartford.

757. (Seeley H.[8], Herbert L.[7], William C.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Seeley H. Vietts [sic], son of Herbert Leon and Carrie (Hemenway) Viets, was born April 29, 1895. He served in World War I with the U.S. Army. He married Mrs. Alice May Jackson of Suffield, daughter of Frederick F. and Martha E. (Towne) Jackson. He died April 21, 1956 in Suffield and was buried in Woodland Cemetery. No children.

758. (Herbert Leon[8], Herbert L.[7], William C.[6], Seymour S.[5], Samuel[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Herbert Leon Vietts [sic], Jr., son of Herbert Leon and Carrie (Hemenway) Viets, was born October 14, 1898 in Suffield. He married February 4, 1922 Lillian Hart Russell, born April 14, 1898 in Springfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Edward F. and Agnes L. (Hart) Russell. Mr. Vietts was the office

manager of the Fred H. Williams & Company, was secretary of the George E. Dewey & Company, Inc., of Hartford, and president of the Connecticut Casualty and Surety Association. They resided in West Hartford. No children.

759. (William G.[8], Ralph W.[7], Walter D.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

William G. Viets, son of Ralph Waldo and Julia A. (Sullivan) Viets, was born November 2, 1906 in New York City. He married Edith MacBrian, born July 20, 1909 in Westfield, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Emma MacBrian. Mr. Viets was the owner of the William G. Viets Insurance Agency in West Hartford. In 1969 he retired and they moved to Venice, Florida. Both Mr. and Mrs. Viets died in Venice, he on May 17, 1981 and she on November 16, 1987. Child:

890. i. Robert Gregory.

760. (Gladys Louise[8], Robert J.[7], William B.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Gladys Louise Viets, daughter of Robert John and Eudora (Dustin) Viets, was born in Mitteneague (West Springfield), Massachusetts, September 5, 1901. She married July 19, 1920 Carl Sidney Parks, born in Malone, New York, February 1, 1902, son of Earl W. and Estelle (Downer) Parks. Resided in Worcester, Massachusetts. Children:

i. Carl Sidney Parks Jr., born January 17, 1923 in Springfield, Massachusetts.
ii. Robert Earl Parks, born April 25, 1926 in Worcester.

761. (Doris Louise[8], Clifton M.[7], William B.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Doris Louise Viets, daughter of Clifton Marsh and Mina (Wallace) Viets, was born April 9, 1908 in South Hadley Falls, Massachusetts. She married July 15, 1929 Lawrence O'Brien, born April 2, 1906 in Holyoke, Massachusetts, son of Lawrence P. and Elsie (Wade) O'Brien. They resided in Huntington, Massachusetts. Child:

i. Carol Phoebe O'Brien, born April 24, 1934 in Hartford, Connecticut. She married first _____ Henry; second Donald Hays. Four sons (Hays).

762. (Frances Marion[8], Clifton M.[7], William B.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Frances Marion Viets, daughter of Clifton Marsh and Mina (Wallace) Viets, was born November 1, 1914 in South Hadley Falls, Massachusetts. She married September 13, 1942 Elie Gagnon, born June 6, 1914 in Feeding Hills, Massachusetts, son of William and Amelia (Sarazen) Gagnon. They resided in Cummington, Massachusetts. Child:

i. Judith Gagnon, born June 23, 1945 in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. She married Robert P. Fontaine, born April 9, 1944. One daughter (Fontaine).

**763. (Clifton Wallace[8], Clifton M.[7], William B.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Clifton Wallace Viets, son of Clifton Marsh and Mina (Wallace) Viets, was born January 30, 1920 in South Hadley Falls, Massachusetts. He married in Holyoke, Massachusetts, November 1944 Constance Moriarty. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF #0954941.] Children:

i. Karen Ann, born February 21, 1946, Holyoke. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0959305.]
ii. Clifton Wallace II, born April 5, 1950 in Holyoke. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0959305.]
iii. William John, born December 23, 1957. Resided in New York in 1988.

**764. (Virginia Harold[8], Clifton M.[7], William B.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Virginia Harold Viets, daughter of Clifton Marsh and Mina (Wallace) Viets, was born April 25, 1925 in Holyoke, Massachusetts. She married October 30, 1943 Charles Leslie Haswell, born July 21, 1923 in Ludlow, Massachusetts. Charles was killed in action overseas May 19, 1944. She married second, October 28, 1945 Edwin Marcus Sheldon, born September 9, 1923 in Aurora, Missouri, son of Marion Joseph and Bertha (Shoemaker) Sheldon. Children, born in Holyoke, Massachusetts:

i. Charles Leslie Haswell II, born October 7, 1944.
ii. Mark Douglas Sheldon, born June 29, 1946.
iii. William Viets Sheldon, born June 27, 1947.

**765. (Sterling Hartley[8], John H.[7], Hartley A.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])**

Sterling Hartley Viets, son of John Hartley and Blanche (Lyons) Viets, was born in East Granby July 27, 1922. He married in Newington September 26, 1944 Esther Frances Olsen, born November 13, 1922 in Volksrust, Union of South Africa, daughter of Oscar P. and Mary Emily (Buckingham) Olsen. Mr. Viets served overseas with the U.S. forces in World War II a total of three years. He was a member of the 66th Division which fought the Germans in the St. Nazaire pocket.

He was a passenger on the Dutch transport which was sunk in the English Channel on December 24, 1944 by the Germans. He escaped with minor injuries. [Sanders, A Night Before Christmas.] Following V.E. Day he was stationed at Marseille processing troops. For about 6 months following that he was in the Army of the Occupation in Austria. Mr. Viets was in the automotive business

for more than forty years. He is now in the School Bus Transportation business with his son, Sterling N. Viets, in Windsor. Children, born in Hartford:

891. i. John Sterling, born February 26, 1947.
892. ii. Douglas Hartley, born January 4, 1948.
iii. Sterling Norman, born December 31, 1950. He has a B.S. in business administration with honors from Nasson College, Springvale, Maine. He is president of Rainbow Bus Lines Inc. and vice-president of the Connecticut Operators of School Transportation Association. His hobby is coin collecting.

766. (Thomas Whitney[8], Fred W.[7], Hartley A.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Thomas Whitney Viets, son of Fred Whitney and Sadie Margaret (Nicholson) Viets, was born October 14, 1925 in East Granby. He married in 1947 Miriam Jane Wilbraham, born August 7, 1924 in Hartford. Mr. Viets graduated from Dartmouth College in 1947. He was a member of East Granby Congregational Church and served on the board of trustees for several years. He was a member of St. Mark's Lodge AF&AM of Granby, the East Granby Planning and Zoning Commission, the Republican Town Committee and served on the Board of Education.

He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II. He conducted his own real estate business in East Granby. He died at his home in East Granby, March 3, 1968 and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery. Mrs. Viets is currently the town clerk in East Granby. Child:

893. i. Deborah Ann, born October 26, 1952.

767. (Marilyn Priscilla[8], Fred W.[7], Hartley A.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Marilyn Priscilla Viets, daughter of Fred Whitney and Sadie Margaret (Nicholson) Viets, was born December 21, 1927 in East Granby; married there June 18, 1949 James Guy Davis, born May 20, 1923 in Collinsville. Mr. Davis has a B.S. in engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He served in World War II. Mrs. Davis is primarily a homemaker and has a degree in economics from Connecticut College. She is presently working as a medical receptionist. The Davises enjoy skiing and golf. They reside in Hudson, New Hampshire. Children, born in Hartford:

i. James Whitney Davis, born February 15, 1951.
ii. Thomas Edward Davis, born November 25, 1953.
iii. Jane Elizabeth Davis, born May 5, 1956; married August 6, 1980 Daniel Lubeck.
iv. Richard Viets Davis, born November 27, 1960.

768. (Allen David[8], David A.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Allen David Viets, son of David Alexander and Frances Irene (Barrett) Viets, was born in East Granby December 4, 1916. He married April 29, 1941 in Simsbury, Muriel Hildur Chagnon, born February 27, 1917 in Bristol, Connecticut, daughter of Hector Louis and Sadie Louise (Barber) Chagnon. Mr. Viets was a machinist; his hobbies were woodworking and antique cars. Mrs. Viets' hobbies are knitting, gardening, and birding. Allen died September 4, 1979 in Simsbury. Children:

894. i. Priscilla Ann, born August 8, 1942.
895. ii. Peter Merwin, born April 11, 1945.
896. iii. Prudence Jane, born May 24, 1947.
897. iv. Paula Jean, born January 25, 1949.
898. v. Phillip Allen, born May 28, 1951.

769. (Robert LeRoy[8], Dan W.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert LeRoy Viets, son of Dan Willard and Bertha (Marks) Viets, was born October 3, 1922 in East Granby. He married in Willis, Michigan, June 15, 1946 Elizabeth Sara Chie, born September 29, 1925 in Duncanwood, Ohio, daughter of James Leslie and Theresa Rose (Polgar) Chie. Mr. Viets is an Electrical Operating Engineer, now retired. He served with the U.S. Air Force during World War II. His hobbies are woodworking, golf, fishing, and traveling. Mrs. Viets enjoys crocheting and traveling. They reside in Milan, Michigan. Children:

899. i. Robert LeRoy Jr., born September 5, 1947.
ii. Leslie Willard, born March 31, 1950 in Hartford; died July 22, 1982. Unmarried.
900. iii. Jean Elizabeth, born December 14, 1953.
iv. Jeffrey Jon, born August 20, 1957 in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

770. (Kenneth Wilbur[8], Dan W.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Kenneth Wilbur Viets, son of Dan Willard and Bertha (Marks) Viets, was born January 20, 1925 in East Granby. He married first, Mary Jean Maziotto on December 4, 1948. They separated and he married second Alice _____. He served with the armed forces in World War II in the South Pacific. Children, by first marriage:

i. Kenneth Wilbur Jr.
ii. David.
iii. William.
iv. Scott.

By second marriage:

v. David.

771. (Eleanor Lolita[8], Adolph W.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Eleanor Lolita Viets, daughter of Adolph Westley and Lucy Mae (Viets) Viets, was born November 17, 1923 in East Granby. She married first at Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, September 13, 1942 William Francis Supple, son of Frank and Josephine Supple of Bridgeport, Connecticut. She married second, June 29, 1950 in East Granby Charles F. Taylor, born January 26, 1932 in East Granby, son of Frederick and Catherine (Ray) Taylor. The Taylors reside in Weldon, Iowa, where Mr. Taylor is a grain salesman. Children, born in Hartford:

i. William Michael Supple, born August 1, 1943; married Frances Von Seggeren. One daughter (Supple).
ii. Rhonda Lee Taylor, born July 5, 1956; married December 30, 1976 Matthew Grimes.
iii. Terrell A. Taylor, born January 21, 1959; married August 23, 1980 Danelle _____.
iv. Frederick C. Taylor, born January 21, 1959; married May 5, 1979 Bonnie _____.

772. (Adolph Westley[8], Adolph W.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Adolph Westley Viets Jr., son of Adolph Westley and Lucy Mae (Viets) Viets, was born in East Granby September 9, 1927. He married in Agawam, Massachusetts, December 14, 1946 Anita Rachek, born January 5, 1929 in Springfield, Massachusetts. Children, born in Hartford:

i. Richard W., born May 18, 1947.
ii. Bette Susan, born February 20, 1950; married Michael Udas. They are divorced. No children.

773. (Elizabeth Winthrop[8], Paul W.[7], Francis H.[6], Benjamin E.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Elizabeth Winthrop Viets, twin daughter of Paul Winthrop and Marjorie (Lewis) Deane, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, March 1, 1923. She attended Westlake School for Girls in Beverly Hills, California, and was graduated from the Boston School of Occupational Therapy. She married in Plymouth, Massachusetts, December 27, 1947 Edwin Hubert Ginn III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hubert Ginn of Union City, Indiana. He attended Indiana University and was graduated from the University of Alabama. He served with Army Air Force in World War II. He was on the administrative staff of Boston University. They later lived in Wilmington, Delaware. Children:

i. Richard Ginn.
ii. Robin Ginn.

774. (Barbara Deane[8], Paul W.[7], Francis H.[6], Benjamin E.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Barbara Deane Viets, twin daughter of Paul Winthrop and Marjorie (Lewis) Viets, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, March 1, 1923. She married September 30, 1950 Lee Weller Gregory of Syracuse, New York, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Gregory. He attended Syracuse University, entering World War II as a Lieutenant (jg) in the Navy. They lived in New York City. Child:

i. Wendy D. Gregory, born May 25, 1958.

775. (Charles McLane[8], Rev. Gervase A.[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles McLane Viets, son of the Reverend Gervase Aristarchus and Carrie (McLane) Viets, was born in Newport, Kentucky, December 14, 1897. He married December 29, 1926 Mary Ann Mulhern, born in Ireland April 4, 1895, daughter of James and Margaret (Morrow) Mulhern. Mr. Viets served in World War I. They resided in New Haven, Connecticut. He died December 9, 1954 and was buried in Hamden. No children.

776. (Edwin G.[8], Gervase A.[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Edwin G. Viets, son of the Reverend Gervase Aristarchus and Carrie (McLane) Viets, was born in Redding, Connecticut, September 1, 1902. He married June 1, 1927 Martha P. Beck, born in Newark, New Jersey, October 9, 1905, daughter of William C. and Bertha (Lekholt) Beck. Mr. Viets served in World War I. They resided in New Haven, Connecticut. He died March 7, 1962. Children:

901. i. Edwin William, born November 23, 1932.
ii. Robert Charles, born August 10, 1936 in West Haven, Connecticut. He served with the U.S. Marines in World War II. He died in New Haven September 13, 1970.

777. (Raymond Trowbridge[8], George C.[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Raymond Trowbridge Viets, son of George Charles and Fannie Adams (Trowbridge) Viets, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, December 13, 1891. He married September 28, 1915 Hilda Wallace Mix, born in Hamden, Connecticut, October 6, 1890, daughter of George Benjamin and Violet (MacMullen) Mix. Mr. Viets was graduated from Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University in 1911. After one year of post-graduate study he went to the General Electric Company in Schenectady, New York, and completed twenty-five years of service with the company in 1937. At the Viets Family Reunion in 1941 he was chosen president of the association. They resided in Schenectady, New York. Children:

902. i. Eleanor Beverly, born March 1, 1917.
903. ii. Wallace Trowbridge, born November 26, 1919.

778. (Marjorie Ruth[8], Hiram W.[7], Virgil E.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Marjorie Ruth Viets, daughter of Hiram W. and Laura Abbie (Griffin) Viets, born May 19, 1897, the last one of the name of Viets to be born in Captain John Viets' house. She was for several years a teacher of English in the Wethersfield High School. She served as secretary of The Viets Association of Connecticut. She married in December 1945 King Windsor of Wethersfield. Mr. Windsor died February 8, 1948.

Obituary from Hartford Courant? February 9, 1948

King Windsor Dies: Trade School Teacher

King Windsor of 350 Prospect St., Wethersfield, Hartford State Trade School teacher for many years, died Monday afternoon at Hartford Hospital. He was born in Santa Fe, New Mexico and was graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1924. He was a veteran of World War I and a member of Russell K. Bourne Post, AL, of Wethersfield, Montezuma Lodge, AF&AM of Santa Fe and Ballut Abyad Temple, AAONMS of New Mexico.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Marjorie Viets Windsor of Wethersfield; his mother, sister and a brother, all of Long Beach, Calif. The funeral will be held Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the James T. Pratt Company Chapel, 71 Farmington Ave. Burial will be in Rose Hill Memorial Park, Rocky Hill.

779. (Virgil Stanley[8], Hiram W.[7], Virgil E.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Virgil Stanley Viets, son of Hiram Wilcox and Laura Abbie (Griffin) Viets was born March 20, 1908 in Granby. He was a graduate of Brown University, class of 1930, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He served in the U.S. Army from 1942 to 1945 in World War II. He taught English for forty-two years in the Hartford Public School System. He married December 27, 1941 Gladys Saum, born January 19, 1918 in New York, New York, daughter of Frederick and Henrietta Saum. She received her nurses training at Newark Memorial Hospital, Newark, New Jersey. She was employed by Robert C. Buell & Company until 1973. Mr. Viets died June 24, 1986(?). [Obituary.] Mrs. Viets died January 10, 1987 in Hartford after a long and courageous battle with multiple sclerosis. [Obituary.] Children:

i. Virgil E., resides in Windsor. Unmarried.
ii. Hilary Phelps, born September 12, 1949 in Hartford; married _____ Nichols. Resides in Ann Harbor, Michigan.

780. (Leon Hastings[8], Charles P.[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Leon Hastings Viets, son of Charles Palmer and Anna Lucinda (Hastings) Viets, was born in East Granby September 29, 1890. He married first, September 7, 1910 Grace V. Marks, born in East Granby March 24, 1889, daughter of James M. and C. Belle (Holcomb) Marks. Mr. Viets served as a member of the 1931 and 1932 Connecticut General Assembly, representing East Granby. He was superintendent of the oxen and horse-draw competitions at the Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield, for many years and was widely recognized throughout the Northeast as a dealer in draft horses. He owned and operated L. H. Viets and Sons Dairy Farm from 1915 until his death.

Mr. Viets was a former 30-year director of Connecticut Milk Producers Association, and a member of its executive committee more than 10 years. He served as president of Connecticut Livestock Dealers Association, was a former 15-year director of Windsor, Connecticut, Trust Company, and when it merged was on the advisory board of Hartford National Bank, Windsor branch. He was a member of St. Mark's Lodge of Masons of Granby. Mr. Viets died February 17, 1976 and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, East Granby. [Reference: Obituary, Springfield Union, February 18, 1976.]

Mrs. Viets was a teacher before her marriage. She died in East Granby March 6, 1927. Mr. Viets married second in Otis, Massachusetts, August 5, 1928 Mildred Holman Taylor Hamilton, born in Chatham, Massachusetts, July 9, 1895, daughter of Henry B. and Eva Belle (Taylor) Hamilton of South Yarmouth, Massachusetts, and North Salem, New Hampshire, respectively. Children, by first marriage:

904. i. Mattie Ruth, born June 18, 1911.
905. ii. Charles Oren, born May 13, 1913.
906. iii. William James, born January 17, 1915.
907. iv. Ralph Hastings, born August 31, 1922.

By second marriage:

908. v. Leon Hastings Jr., born January 22, 1934.

781. (Katharine[8], Frederick H.[7], Frederick H.[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Katharine Viets, daughter of Cordelia C. (Dexter) and Frederick Henderson Viets Jr., was born February 16, 1922 in Boston, Massachusetts. She married in Newton, Massachusetts, on October 24, 1971 Edwin Henry Loewe, born October 29, 1913 in New York City, son of Henry and Lena (Eisele) Loewe. Mr. Loewe had a daughter, Patricia Ann, from a previous marriage. He served with the U.S. Army in World War II. He died July 8, 1972 in New York City. No children.

782. (John Bartlett[8], John B.[7], Frederick H.[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

John Bartlett Viets Jr., son of John Bartlett and Natalie Valleau (Noyes) Viets, was born May 4, 1929 in Burlington, Vermont. He married in San Francisco, California, November 14, 1959 Karyl McMinn, born February 25, 1930, daughter of Emerson and Petrina (Dobie) McMinn. Mr. Viets is on the editorial staff of the San Francisco Chronicle. His wife is head of the office of development at the Hilton Tower Hotel. Children:

909. i. Melissa Ann, born January 27, 1961.
ii. John Jeffrey, born December 16, 1967 in San Francisco. He was attending College of Marin in 1987.

783. (Richard Noyes[8], John B.[7], Frederick H.[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Richard Noyes Viets, son of John Bartlett Viets and Natalie Valleau (Noyes) Viets, was born November 10, 1930 in Burlington, Vermont. He married in Washington, D.C., May 28, 1959 Marina Woronieck, born in Poland. Mr. Viets was with the State Department. In 1985 he returned to a post in Washington after finishing a tour of duty as ambassador to Jordan with the U.S. Foreign Service. After serving as the ambassador to Portugal he resigned from the Foreign Service in 1988. He has started his own company, Aspen Hill Enterprises, Ltd. They are currently restoring a 1777 house in Middleburg, Virginia. Mrs. Viets is an art critic, linguist, translator, writer, and humanitarian. Children:

i. Alexandra Lillian Noyes, born September 23, 1969 in Dallas, Texas. She is working on a master's degree at Columbia University.
ii. Katrina Olga, born January 14, 1966 in Tokyo, Japan. She is attending Guilford College in North Carolina, majoring in art therapy. In 1987 she studied for a semester at the University of London.
iii. Marynka Natalie "Lulu," born June 7, 1967 in Madras, India.

784. (Breckenridge Trask[8], John B.[7], Frederick H.[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Breckenridge Trask Viets, son of John Bartlett and Natalie Valleau (Noyes) Viets, was born February 2, 1934 in Burlington, Vermont. He married in Chatham, New Jersey, June 15, 1957 Barbara Lee Nestor, born January 2, 1937 in Teaneck, New Jersey, daughter of Ralph and Mildred (Brooks) Nestor. They separated in 1978. Mr. Viets is president of C. H. Dana Company in Hyde Park, Vermont. Children:

i. Andrea Elizabeth, born October 4, 1962. She is head of a pre-school in Plainfield.
ii. Diana Valleau, born July 24, 1964. She graduated from Champlain College and is finishing up a degree at U.V.M.

iii. Justine Bartlett, born April 10, 1967. She attends U.V.M.
iv. Melanie Brooks, born March 12, 1979. She graduated from Lamoille Union in 1988 and entered U.V.M. She was a regional all-star in soccer for the second time in 1987.

785. (Estella May[8], Richard B.[7], George B.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Estella May Viets, daughter of Richard Byron and Alice B. (Tryon) Viets, was born in North Granby, Connecticut, November 14, 1894. She married John Arthur White, born in Rockville, Connecticut, January 3, 1891, son of Thomas and Lucella (Corbin) White. They resided in Manchester, Connecticut; Mrs. Viets died there November 3, 1942. Child:

i. Lester Woodrow White, born May 18, 1913 in New Britain, Connecticut; married June 26, 1937 Lillian Shipman, born December 7, 1913 in Manchester, Connecticut, daughter of Walter and Georgia (McNall) Shipman. They resided in Hartford. One son (White).

786. (Frances Elizabeth[8], Anson E.[7], George B.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Frances Elizabeth Viets, daughter of Anson Eno and Frances (Hurley) Viets, was born in Holliston, Massachusetts, July 22, 1919. She married first, in Pelham, Massachusetts, September 1939 Grant Frederick Watson. She married second in Springfield on May 30, 1942, Roy Everett Smith, born November 1920 in Foxboro, Massachusetts, son of Everett E. and Jessie (Holmes) Smith.

787. (Marion Alicia[8], Anson E.[7], George B.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Marion Alicia Viets, daughter of Anson Eno and Frances (Hurley) Viets, was born in Holliston, Massachusetts, July 26, 1922. She married in Springfield on January 23, 1942 Carl Weston Coe, born in Virginia, son of Major Charles A. and Sophie Coe. He was with the U.S. Army in Australia in May 1940.

788. (Roland Alfred Lewis[8], Elwyn A.[7], Alfred W.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Roland Alfred Lewis Viets, son of Elwyn Alfred and Phoebe (Hildenbrand) Viets, was born April 19, 1927 in Brooklyn, New York. He married in Middlebury, Connecticut, August 13, 1955 Joan Roseann Keefe, daughter of Joseph S. and Rosanne (Caoette) Keefe. Mr. Viets is a millwright-carpenter whose hobby is woodworking. Mrs. Viets is a school teacher with a B.S. in elementary education. They both enjoy square dancing. As an achievement Mrs. Viets includes raising six children. They live in Thomaston, Connecticut. Children, born in Waterbury:

910. i. Maureen Adele, born September 4, 1956.
911. ii. Paul Roland, born November 5, 1957.
iii. Diane, born July 5, 1959.
iv. Brian, born February 14, 1963.
v. David, born March 20, 1967.
vi. Sarah, born June 8, 1971.

## NINTH GENERATION

**789. (Henry Granville[9], Henry E.[8], Henry L.[7], Henry S.[6], Henry[5], Henry[4], Henry[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Henry Granville Viets, son of Henry Edwin and Helen (Borden) Viets, was born October 5, 1935 in Nevada City, California. He married first on June 14, 1958 Dixie Lee Tinsley. He married second on November 7, 1967 Sally (Campbell) Johnson in Santa Barbara County, California. [VR, California, FHM#6332557.] Children, by first marriage:

i. Janet Marie, born July 6, 1960.
ii. Henry Mitchell, born November 12, 1962.

**790. (Clarence Roger[9], Clarence R.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Clarence Roger Viets, son of Clarence Russell and Mary E. (Harshman) Viets, was born November 23, 1899 in Southington, Ohio. He married February 16, 1926 Mabel Mauk, born January 5, 1905 in Warren, Ohio, daughter of Herbert and Anna (Horner) Mauk. They reside in San Antonio, Texas. Children, born in Southington:

i. Stanley H., born October 14, 1927. He entered the Merchant Marine in 1945, and re-enlisted in 1947.
ii. Dale R., born September 26, 1929.

**791. (Gladys B.[9], Clarence R.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Gladys B. Viets, daughter of Clarence Russell and Mary E. (Harshman) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, May 23, 1902. She married March 16, 1922 Orville O. Stanberry, born March 15, 1900 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, son of A. B. and _____ (Wright) Stanberry. Children:

i. Dolores A. Stanberry, born December 1922 in Olinda, California; married David Westenfelder. One daughter (Westenfelder).
ii. Ward A. Stanberry, born August 12, 1924 in Needles, California.
iii. Dennis R. Stanberry, born June 12, 1933 in Sasakwa, Oklahoma.
iv. Patricia Jo Stanberry, born January 31, 1937 in Oklahoma.

**792. (Sadie N.[9], Clarence R.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Sadie N. Viets, daughter of Clarence Russell and Mary E. (Harshman) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, February 3, 1905; married July 26, 1926 William B.

Dawson, born April 19, 1894 in Youngstown, Ohio, son of George W. and Jennie (Evans) Dawson. No children.

**793. (Charles Francis[9], Clarence R.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Charles Francis Viets, son of Clarence Russell and Mary E. (Harshman) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, February 3, 1909. He married September 23, 1933, Ruth Burr, born November 23, 1913 in Warren, Ohio, daughter of Alfred and Margaret (Barr) Burr. Mr. Viets was founder and owner of Viets Water Hauling Company. He was a bus driver for 20 years for the Southington School System, retiring in 1974. He worked at Thomas Steel Strip Company in Warren. He was a member of Southington Methodist Church. Mr. Viets died March 8, 1989. They resided in Southington. Child:

912. i. Roxanna L., born September 26, 1934.

**794. (Vera B.[9], Clarence R.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Vera B. Viets, daughter of Clarence Russell and Mary E. (Harshman) Viets, was born February 24, 1913 in Southington, Ohio. She married June 9, 1933 Earl Donald Osborne, born March 16, 1911 in Southington, son of Ross M. and Florence (Snively) Osborne. [Ross M. Osborne was the grandson of Porter and Rebecca (Viets) Osborne. See No. 212.] Children:

i. Ronald Alva Osborne, born May 28, 1934 in Southington.
ii. Philip Ward Osborne, born August 12, 1935 in Southington.
iii. Gail Beverley Osborne, born September 23, 1937 in Southington.
iv. Rita Osborne, born 1948 in Warren, Ohio.

**795. (Sylvia M.[9], Clarence R.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Sylvia M. Viets, daughter of Clarence Russell and Mary E. (Harshman) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, June 17, 1918. She married May 29, 1940, Reid Collier, born in Southington, March 14, 1911, son of Randolph Norman and Beryl (Harwood) Collier. Children, born in Warren Ohio:

i. Wade Randolph Collier, born March 30, 1941.
ii. Thomas Russell Collier, born September 28, 1942.
iii. Sue Ellen Collier, born June 20, 1945.

**796. (Alice B.[9], Clarence R.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Alice B. Viets, daughter of Clarence Russell and Mary E. (Harshman) Viets, was born in Southington, Ohio, October 1, 1922. She married July 5, 1942 Edwin Phelps, born June 2, 1920 in Paris, Ohio, son of Edwin C. and Myrtle (Decker) Phelps. Children, born in Warren, Ohio:

i. Sherry Lee Phelps, born December 31, 1945.
ii. Mark Edwin Phelps, born March 27, 1948.

**797. (Kenneth Eugene[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Kenneth Eugene Veits [sic], son of Eugene Wells and Effie Belle (Hoffman) Veits, was born July 15, 1898 in Southington, Ohio; married April 15, 1922 Doris Marie Keeney, born June 6, 1902 in Chardon, Ohio, daughter of Alton Harvey and Nettie Lenora (Dewey) Keeney. They reside with their daughter Arlene in Warren, Ohio. Children:

913. i. Vivian Marie, born July 19, 1924.
914. ii. Arlene Mae, born August 19, 1926.
915. iii. Donald Eugene, born May 23, 1933.
916. iv. Arnold Harvey, born June 10, 1935.

**798. (LaVerne Pauline[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Laverne Pauline Veits [sic], daughter of Eugene Wells and Effie Belle (Hoffman) Veits, was born May 6, 1904 in Southington, Ohio; married October 27, 1923 Fred C. Linge, born January 3, 1900 in McKeesport, Pennsylvania, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Moulter) Linge. He died October 20, 1969 in Lakewood, Ohio. She married as her second husband, John W. Twembly on May 12, 1979. Mr. Twembly died October 15, 1980. Mrs. Twembly resides in Monroe, Michigan. Children:

i. Elizabeth Ann Linge, born November 2, 1927 in Warren, Ohio; married Edward Eisenbrey. Two children (Eisenbrey).
ii. Martha Louise Linge, born January 28, 1933 in Monroe, Michigan; married September 5, 1953, Lemont B. Kier Jr. Five children (Kier).

**799. (LaVere Frances[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

LaVere Frances Veits [sic], daughter of Eugene Wells and Effie B. (Hoffman) Veits, was born February 21, 1906 in Southington, Ohio. She married September 22, 1928 Lyle Alfred Weaver, born August 17, 1906 in Warren, Ohio, son of Emory Charles and Catherine (Bear) Weaver. They reside in Southington. Children, born in Warren:

i. Carl Alfred Weaver, born March 1, 1934; married June 29, 1957, Mary Lou McGuire. Two children (Weaver).
ii. Lyle Blair Weaver, born July 24, 1940; married September 1, 1962, Sandi A. Ward. Two children (Weaver).

800. (Emma Lozetta[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Emma Lozetta Veits [sic], daughter of Eugene Wells and Effie Belle (Hoffman) Veits, was born March 14, 1909 in Southington, Ohio. She married in Braceville, Ohio, August 12, 1979 widower Claude Graber. His first wife was Iona Lucille Shephard. They reside in Warren, Ohio.

801. (Harlan Russell[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Harlan Russell Veits [sic], son of Eugene Wells and Effie Belle (Hoffman) Veits, was born May 30, 1911 in Southington, Ohio; married March 12, 1937, Katherine Ida Hunter, born July 31, 1909 in Champion, Pennsylvania, daughter of Milton C. Hunter, M.D., and Katherine (Adams) Hunter. They reside in Phoenix, Arizona. Child:

917. i. Earl Eugene, born February 1, 1939.

802. (Willard Lyle[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Willard Lyle Veits [sic], son of Eugene Wells and Effie B. (Hoffman) Veits, was born March 27, 1915 in Southington, Ohio; married February 8, 1941 Harriet Post, born June 10, 1921 in Warren, Ohio, daughter of Raymond Harvey and Ruby Emily (Chandler) Post. Mr. Veits is retired, having worked forty years for Republic Steel. Mrs. Veits was school secretary for 16 years. Both enjoy playing golf and Mrs. Veits likes to embroider. They reside in Southington, Ohio. Children:

918. i. Thomas Wells, born July 14, 1943.
919. ii. Timothy Alan, born January 10, 1947.
920. iii. Valerie Rae, born August 19, 1950.
921 iv. Mark Willard, born August 12, 1953.

803. (Ruth Arline[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Ruth Arline Veits [sic], daughter of Eugene Wells and Effie Belle (Hoffman) Veits, was born June 9, 1917 in Southington, Ohio. She married on August 17, 1957 in Angola, Indiana, Robert Coss. He was born November 27, 1916 in West Wheeling, Ohio, son of Charles and Rillie Coss. Mr. Coss was a foreman for American Welding, now retired. He served with the U.S. Navy. Mrs. Coss enjoys cross stitch and needlepoint. They reside in Southington, Ohio. Children, born in Warren, Ohio:

i. Cheryl Coss, born July 21, 1958.
ii. Peter Coss, born October 31, 1960.

804. (Wilma Helen[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Wilma Helen Veits [sic], daughter of Eugene Wells and Effie B. (Hoffman) Veits, was born April 30, 1919 in Southington, Ohio; married April 20, 1941 Robert James Brockman, born December 23, 1917 in Midway, Pennsylvania, son of Clarence and Ruth (Welch) Brockman. Mr. Brockman died May 10, 1945 in an airplane crash over England during World War II. His widow married March 8, 1947 John Joseph Russell. They reside in Tacoma, Washington. Children, born in Tacoma:

i. John Joseph Russell, Jr., born February 10, 1953; married June 1, 1974 in Tacoma, Cora Imhoff. One son (Russell).
ii. Michael James Russell, born February 6, 1955; died August 24, 1957 in Tacoma.
iii. Wendy J. Russell, born December 8, 1960; married November 31, 1981 in Tacoma, Kenneth Kvale.

805. (Jean Evelyn[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Jean Evelyn Veits [sic], daughter of Eugene Well and Effie Belle (Hoffman) Veits, was born November 3, 1924 in Southington, Ohio. She married on March 23, 1945 in Southington Clifton Lewis Highland, born February 13, 1920 in Warren, Ohio, son of Lewis Carl and Viola Enola (Robison) Highland. Mrs. Highland's hobby is genealogy. She has been of great help in providing data on the lines from David Viets who settled in Trumbull County, Ohio, in 1805. They reside in Warren and spend the winters in Phoenix, Arizona. Children:

i. Jean Nicole Highland, born February 9, 1946 in Southington. She married on June 11, 1966, Richard Thomas Seifrick, born July 10, 1939 in Farrell, Pennsylvania. Two daughters (Seifrick).
ii. Clifton Lewis Highland, Jr., born November 19, 1949 in Warren, Ohio. He married on December 27, 1974, Joan Geraldine Hines. One son (Highland).

806. (Hazel Frances[9], Todd F.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Hazel Frances Viets, daughter of Todd F. and Ruth Florence (Loomis) Viets, was born April 23, 1911 in Redondo, California. She married January 30, 1932 in Barstow, California, James W. Campbell, born February 17, 1899 in LaPrairie, Minnesota, son of James A. and Margaret (Perney) Campbell. Mrs. Campbell died in Portland, Oregon. Children:

i. James Frank Campbell, born September 24, 1936 in Fullerton, California. He married Tony Voss.
ii. Peggy Ruth Campbell, born June 25, 1939 in Mojave, California. She married Jim Montgomery.

807. (Grace Florence[9], Todd F.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Grace Florence Viets, daughter of Todd F. and Ruth Florence (Loomis) Viets, was born March 27, 1913 in Los Angeles, California; married August 3, 1932 in Barstow, California, David S. Gunn, born in Canada September 22, 1908, son of Peter and Mary Jane (Stevenson) Gunn, both natives of Scotland. Mr. Gunn is an all-plants foreman for the U.S. Boron Company in Boron, California. His hobbies are cattle, horses and motorcycles. Mrs. Gunn enjoys office work, ceramics, and her "grandkids." Children, born in Fullerton, California:

i. Kenneth Todd Gunn, born January 16, 1934.
ii. Gary Stevenson Gunn, born February 14, 1941; died February 15, 1941.

808. (Rose Luella[9], Todd F.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Rose Luella Viets, daughter of Todd F. and Ruth F. (Loomis) Viets, was born April 28, 1915 in Alder Creek, California; married June 17, 1934 Jack E. Pollock, born 1911 in Silver City, New Mexico, son of Charles Erwin and Mary (Johnson) Pollock. Mr. Pollock worked in a boron mine in Boron, California. Mrs. Pollock died March 18, 1987 in Lancaster, California. Children, born in Mojave, California:

i. Erwin Grant Pollock, born January 17, 1937.
ii. Hazel LaVerne Pollock, born April 11, 1940.
iii. Todd Pollock.
iv. Mary Lou Pollock.

809. (Lois LaVerne[9], Todd F.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Lois LaVerne Viets, daughter of Todd F. and Ruth Florence (Loomis) Viets, was born November 10, 1926 in Olinda, California. She married in 1945 in San Bernardino, California, Michael Means. They are divorced. Lois is a secretary at Loma Linda University Medical Center in Loma Linda, California. Her hobbies are ceramics, poetry, sewing, and gardening. She resides in San Bernardino. Children, born in San Bernardino:

i. Michael David Means, born June 13, 1946; married August 23, 1969 Antoinette Voce. They are divorced.
ii. Deborah Jo Means, born September 10, 1948; married January 27, 1968 John D. Wurm.

**810. (Dallas Todd[9], Hal H.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2]. John[1])**

Dallas Todd Veits [sic], son of Hal Herbert and Anna May (Plott) Veits, was born in Southington, Ohio, December 24, 1909; married June 7, 1928 Virginia Alberta Kerns, born March 17, 1910 in Clarksburg, West Virginia, daughter of Harley E. and Effie Sarah (Kight) Kerns. Mr. Veits is deceased. Children:

i. Douglas Kerns, born February 1, 1929 in Windham, Ohio.
ii. David Kerns, born April 21, 1931 in Warren, Ohio.
iii. Barbara Ann, born June 12, 1934 in Warren.

**811. (Russell Eli[9], Hal H.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Russell Eli Veits [sic], son of Hal Herbert and Anna May (Plott) Veits, was born April 21, 1915 in Southington, Ohio. He married in 1934, Louise Alleman. They were divorced in 1937. He married second April 15, 1944 Bernice Lundstun, born April 16, 1915. Children, by second marriage:

922. i. Harold Russell "Hal," born March 18, 1945.
ii. Joan Alyce, born May 10, 1946. Married.
923. iii. Jackie Ann, born June 13, 1948.

**812. (Annamae[9], Hal H.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Annamae Veits [sic], daughter of Hal Herbert and Anna May (Plott) Veits, was born April 10, 1921 in Southington, Ohio. She married there December 20, 1942 Jay Owens, born August 17, 1917 in Kinsman, Ohio, son of Allan E. and Bess (Thompson) Owens. Mrs. Owens is a bookkeeper whose hobbies are crafts, reading, and playing the organ and piano. Mr. Owens is retired and enjoys weaving. He served from 1942 to 1945 in the 3rd Armored Division in the European theater in World War II. They reside in Southington. Children, born in Warren, Ohio:

i. Douglas Lance Owens, born April 1, 1944; he died April 22, 1944.
ii. Michael B. Owens, born February 7, 1950. He married August 27, 1972 Mary E. Jeffers. They have two daughters (Owens).

**813. (William Eugene[9], Frederick H.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

William Eugene Veits [sic], son of Frederick Hill and Mildred Dee (Wilcox) Veits, was born July 28, 1921 in Warren, Ohio. He married in Warren on September 28, 1943 Lillian Mae Medley, born October 18, 1924 in Warren, daughter of Curtis L. and Mary Edna (Knisely) Medley. Mr. Veits' occupation is painter-decorator and his hobbies are fishing, hunting, and shooting. He served with the U.S. Navy in the Pacific theater, 1942-1945. Mrs. Veits

retired in 1984 from working as an educational aide for multiple handicapped classes. She did volunteer work with St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary in Warren for 20 years. She also works in Girl Scout and church activities. Her hobbies are hand sewing, reading, and hiking. They now live in Phoenix, Arizona. Children, born in Warren:

924. i. Annette Kay, born January 30, 1946.
925. ii. Marylou, born February 23, 1950.
iii. William Frederick, born January 13, 1955.

814. (Janice Marjorie[9], Frederick H.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Janice Marjorie Veits [sic], daughter of Frederick Hill and Mildred Dee (Wilcox) Veits, was born March 13, 1924 in Warren, Ohio. She married in Warren on November 10, 1943 Leroy A. Saddler, born October 14, 1923 in Youngstown, Ohio, son of Roy and Jennie (Swagger) Saddler. Mr. Saddler served in the U.S. Air Force. He is an accountant, now retired, whose hobby is computers. Mrs. Saddler's hobby is growing Hy-bred Iris. They reside in Danville, Illinois. Child:

i. Larry E. Saddler, born August 19, 1945 in Warren, Ohio. He married in 1966 Diane McArdle. He married second in 1977 Dorothy Monreal. Two children (Saddler). He married third, Raksha Chand in 1985.

815. (Joseph Wayne[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Joseph Wayne Viets, son of Joseph and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born July 5, 1915 in Southington, Ohio; married June 5, 1935 Elvarene Mae Wilrich, born May 11, 1917 in Farmington, Ohio, daughter of Frank H. and Vida (Oatley) Wilrich. Mr. Viets died March 5, 1981 in Texas; Mrs. Viets died January 17, 1986. Children:

926. i. Janice Carol, born July 26, 1936.
927. ii. Beverly Ann, born November 11, 1937.

816. (Mildred Irene[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Mildred Irene Viets, daughter of Joseph and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born July 11, 1917 in Nelson, Ohio; married September 30, 1939 William Arthur Rand, born June 7, 1914 in Cleveland. They reside in Garrettsville, Ohio. Mrs. Rand provided much information on the family. Children, born in Garrettsville:

i. Lee Arthur Rand, born March 15, 1941. He married Diane Kay Neilson, born October 6, 1942 in Garrettsville. Three children (Rand).

ii. David Allen Rand (twin), born February 21, 1943.
iii. Martha Marie Rand (twin), born February 21, 1943. She married August 27, 1963 Ivan Dale Ward, born October 8, 1942. They were divorced in 1979. Two children (Ward).
iv. Paul William Rand, born September 26, 1954. He married first January 6, 1979 VeLinda Lee Bunner Gibson. They were divorced in 1981. He married second on August 13, 1983 Julie Ann Kropp. Two children (Rand).

817. (Verabelle[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Verabelle Viets, daughter of Joseph M. and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born October 17, 1919 in Southington, Ohio; married August 28, 1937, Willard Elwin Davis, born January 25, 1918 in Southington, Ohio, son of Charles and Myrtle (Strock) Davis. They reside in New Smyrna Beach, Florida. Children:

i. Gwendolyn Faye Davis, born January 28, 1939 in Warren, Ohio; married August 21, 1958 David Loring Hilldale. Three children (Hilldale).
ii. Diane Lee Davis, born December 2, 1945 in Southington; married July 9, 1963 Ronald LeRoy Miller. Two sons (Miller), one of whom, Larry Scott, died May 12, 1988.
iii. Denise Darcell Davis, born November 24, 1952 in Southington; married first August 15, 1970 Robert Marcus Jarrell. They were divorced in 1978. She married second Kevin Morris and they were divorced in 1982. She married James Mayo June 28, 1985. She has two sons (Jarrell).
iv. Willard Charles Davis, born September 29, 1954 in Florida; he married January 10, 1976 Debra Lynette Frohock. Two daughters (Davis).

818. (Robert Charles[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Robert Charles Viets, son of Joseph and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born November 22, 1921 in Southington, Ohio. He married first on July 6, 1941 Dorothy Gladys Striebing, born April 8, 1922 in Cleveland. They were divorced in 1960. He married second Mrs. Ada Fields. They both died in Cleveland, he on November 2, 1968 and she January 13, 1972. Child, by first marriage:

928. i. Roberta Katherine, born July 17, 1942.

819. (Bonita June[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Bonita June Viets, daughter of Joseph and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born May 9, 1924 in Southington, Ohio. She married first on March 27, 1942 Richard James Simpson, born November 22, 1913 in Garrettsville, Ohio. They were divorced June 26, 1965. She married second Willard Wayne Bishop on November

24, 1965. Mr. Bishop died December 12, 1974. She married February 15, 1976 as her third husband, Philip Jenning Mallory, born April 5, 1911 in Garrettsville. They reside in Ocala, Florida. Children, born in Garrettsville:

i. Richard James Simpson Jr., born October 10, 1944. He married April 22, 1967 Sue Evanicky, born October 10, 1948. Two children (Simpson).
ii. Robert Allen Simpson, born October 14, 1950. He married Cheryl Denise Gresko, born April 14, 1954. Two daughters (Simpson).

820. (Lyle William[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Lyle William Viets, son of Joseph and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born May 16, 1926 in Southington, Ohio. He married on February 14, 1947 Ruth Enoch, born March 4, 1927. They were divorced in September 1966. He married second on November 11, 1967 Paula Mae Demchak, born September 1, 1943. They reside in Garrettsville, Ohio. Children, by first marriage:

929. i. Renee Lynn, born January 20, 1954.
930. ii. Darlene Rae, born April 5, 1955.
iii. Richard Enoch, born April 30, 1963.

821. (Loren Richard[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Loren Richard Viets, son of Joseph and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born July 8, 1927 in Southington, Ohio. He married on October 30, 1946 Ann DeCarlo, born January 28, 1926. Child:

i. Richard Joseph, born December 1, 1954 in Cleveland.

822. (James LeRoy[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

James LeRoy Viets, son of Joseph and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born November 27, 1928 in Southington, Ohio. He married June 19, 1949 Venna Jane Perks, born September 5, 1931. He died December 29, 1966 in Brecksville, Ohio. [Obituary, Plain Dealer, Cleveland, Ohio.] Mrs. Viets married November 17, 1974 George Brezovsky. Children:

931. i. Geraldine Mae (twin), born June 15, 1950.
932. ii. Genevieve Marie (twin), born June 15, 1950.
933. iii. Joe Edward, born July 27, 1954.
934. iv. Darla Jean, born October 12, 1959.

823. (Joanne Lodema[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Joanne Lodema Viets, daughter of Joseph and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born February 8, 1932 in Southington. She married August 27, 1949 Fred Reichelderfer, born October 20, 1930 in Pennsylvania. They were divorced in 1973. She married July 29, 1973 Paul Scaggs, born September 5, 1930 in West Virginia. Mr. Scaggs died February 16, 1983. Mrs. Scaggs resides in Euclid, Ohio. Children:

i. Susan Reichelderfer, born January 30, 1951 in Garrettsville, Ohio. She married August 1968 Dennis Dale Musgrove, born April 23, 1951 in Garrettsville. She married second February 28, 1971 Dennis Gargulio. Two sons (Gargulio).
ii. Brenda Reichelderfer, born March 14, 1953; married March 25, 1972 Frank Nedelka, born August 6, 1952.
iii. Daniel Reichelderfer, born July 28, 1960.

824. (Marilyn Hazel[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Marilyn Hazel Viets, daughter of Joseph and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born August 10, 1933 in Southington, Ohio. She married November 9, 1953 Salvatore Spatilson, born October 11, 1927. They were divorced in 1957. She married November 24, 1959 Franklin Kiser, born May 21, 1935. They are divorced. Mrs. Kiser resides in Greenville, Pennsylvania. Children:

i. Cynthia A. Spatilson, born April 16, 1955 in Greenville, Pennsylvania; married July 9, 1976 Walter Knell. They were divorced in 1977. She married May 28, 1982 Nick Amoroso, born March 20, 1957.
ii. David Franklin Kiser, born May 15, 1960. He married November 1981 Geraldine _____. They were divorced in 1984. He married second October 3, 1987 Jamie _____.
iii. Patricia Ann Kiser, born November 9, 1961; married January 8, 1983 Douglas McCann, born October 9, 1960. Two children (McCann).

825. (Norman Todd[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Norman Todd Viets, son of Joseph and Hazel Eliza (Lower) Viets, was born April 20, 1935 in West Farmington, Ohio. He married on January 16, 1954 in Maysfield, Pennsylvania, Beverly Paige Brakeman, born October 13, 1935 in Greenville, Pennsylvania. Beverly is the daughter of William Orwell and Grace Elizabeth (Rhoades) Brakeman. Mr. Viets is a truck driver. He served with the United States Marine Corps as a sergeant. His hobbies are watching football and car racing. Mrs. Viets is a housewife. She enjoys refunding, crossword puzzles, and gardening. They reside in Canfield, Ohio. Children:

935. i. William Joseph, born September 26, 1954.
936. ii. Richard Todd, born September 5, 1955.
937. iii. Robin Paige, born January 8, 1957.
938. iv. Michael Norman, born February 16, 1958.
939. v. Darrell Craig, born November 14, 1962.
vi. Sharon Lynn, born October 1, 1967 in Youngstown, Ohio.

826. (Lowell C.[9], Lowell C.[8], Melvin G.[7], Henry[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Lowell C. Viets, son of Lowell C. and Myrtle (Mollett) Viets, was born in 1923 in Southington [?], Ohio. He married Helen B. Long. They resided in Dayton, Ohio, where Mr. Viets was a mechanic. Children, probably born in Dayton:

i. James M., born 1945. Married Marilyn L. _____.
ii. Peggy Ann, born 1948.
iii. Susan, born 1950.
iv. Michial, born 1951. Married Linda S. _____.
v. Timothy A., born 1953. Married Carol L. _____.

827. (Myrtle Lorena[9], Harlie C.[8], Charles B.[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Myrtle Lorena Viets, daughter of Harlie Clyde and Ruth (Jordan) Viets, was born June 27, 1927 in Palacios, Texas; she married in Palacios February 13, 1943 Clyde Marvin Holloway, born December 14, 1943, son of Floyd H. and Eva Mae (Hyman) Holloway. They reside in Victoria, Texas. Children:

i. Johnny Clyde Holloway, born June 4, 1944 in El Campo, Texas. He married Ursula Hildegard Mayer. One son (Holloway).
ii. Gerard Marvin Holloway, born August 24, 1946 in Bay City, Texas. He married Phyllis Jane Rowton. One daughter (Holloway).
iii. Katherine Lorena Holloway, born December 16, 1948 in Palacios. She married Noel D. "Patsy" Curtis. Mr. Curtis died June 2, 1985. Three children (Curtis).

828. (Gerard Benjamin[9], Harlie C.[8], Charles B.[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Gerard Benjamin Viets, son of Harlie Clyde and Ruth (Jordan) Viets, was born January 25, 1930 in Palacios, Texas. He married Evelyn M. _____, August 12, 1955 in Palacios. She was born April 4, 1937 in Portland, Oregon. Mr. Viets is retired after 38 years with Aluminum Company of America (ALCOA). He served from 1950 to 1954 with the U.S. Air Force. His hobby is fishing. Mrs. Viets is a secretary with the Palacios Independent School District. Children, born in Bay City, Texas:

i. Gary M., born December 15, 1957. He married Scottie Atkins.
ii. Lisa, born August 5, 1960. She married Michael Petrisky.

829. (Charles George[9], Harlie C.[8], Charles B.[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Charles George Viets, son of Harlie Clyde and Muriel Mariah (Harwood) Viets, was born March 12, 1939 in Bay City, Texas. He married April 10, 1961 in Hitchcock, Texas, Loretta Lou Klein, born April 28, 1942, daughter of Earnest Albert and Hazel Selma (Herring) Klein. They were later divorced. Mr. Viets is a maintenance supervisor. He is a car racing fan and builds racers. He served four years with the U.S. Naval Air Force. He lives in Pearland, Texas. Children:

i. Charla Ann, born September 10, 1961 in La Marque, Texas; married August 30, 1980 David Allen Randt.
ii. Coreena Marie, born July 9, 1963; married July 13, 1984 Thomas Dozier.
iii. Shelah Rene, born June 12, 1968.
iv. Leah Denise, born Jun 10, 1970.

830. (Shirley Jeanne[9], Harlie C.[8], Charles B.[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Shirley Jeanne Viets, daughter of Harlie Clyde and Muriel Mariah (Harwood) Viets, was born September 28, 1940 in Galveston, Texas. She married on January 16, 1960 in Alta Loma, Texas, Henry David Jr., born January 27, 1938 in Galveston, Texas, son of Henry and Alta (Wilson) David. They were divorced in 1988. Shirley is a professional photographer. She is a member of Professional Photographers of America, Texas Professional Photographer's Association, and Southwestern Photographer's Association. She is a past portrait director of the Texas Association and has served on the Houston Professional Photographer's Guild Board as portrait director, treasurer, and secretary. Her hobbies are photography, music, and church work. She resides in Plano, Texas. Children:

i. Charles Franklin David, born April 12, 1961 in Texas City, Galveston County, Texas. He married on February 18, 1984 Shelley Lynn Mueller.
ii. Boyd Lee David, born July 20, 1963 in Texas City, Texas.
iii. Christopher Beckwith David, born October 29, 1966 in Houston, Texas.

831. (Mary Ann[9], Harlie C.[8], Charles B.[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Mary Ann Viets, daughter of Harlie Clyde and Muriel Mariah (Harwood) Viets, was born April 1, 1944 in Galveston, Texas. She married first James P. Vickers. She married second on December 30, 1971 in Houston, Jesse Leon Stewart, born February 18, 1941 in Liberty, Scott County, Mississippi, son of

Malcolm Lee and Mary Elizabeth (Carpenter) Stewart. Mrs. Stewart is a medical transcriptionist and her husband is a sales representative. She enjoys fishing and sewing. His hobbies are fishing and hunting. They reside in Houston. Children, born in Houston:

i. Steven Ray Vickers, born August 11, 1966.
ii. Jessica Angelique Stewart, born July 16, 1973.

832. (Michael Merle[9], Merle A.[8], Charles B.[7], Martin H.[6], Henry M.[5], Jonathan M.[4], Jonathan[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Michael Merle Viets, son of Merle August and Helen Marie (Walters) Viets, was born August 18, 1948 in Freeport, Texas. He married June 12, 1986 Betty Joyce _____ Ham, born August 28, 1942 in Victoria, Texas. She is the mother of two children, Vernon Peterson Ham and Cheryl (Ham) Kuykendall, from her first marriage to Joe Ham. They make their home in Palacios, Texas, where Mr. Viets works for the Palacios Independent School District and Mrs. Viets is an upholsterer. For recreation they like to fish and camp. Mr. Viets has been active in the Volunteer Fire Department and Lions Club and has served as a reserved police officer.

833. Wando Adelbert[9], Wando A.[8], William[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Wando Adelbert Viets Jr., son of Wando Adelbert and Bernice Orcutt (Taft) Viets, was born April 13, 1920 in Somerville, Massachusetts. He married in 1954 in Methuen, Massachusetts [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0955662], Kathleen T. Morse, born about 1927 in Methuen. Mr. Viets was a shipping clerk. Child:

i. Vera-Lynn, born May 7, 1956 in Methuen, Massachusetts. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0959318.]

834. (Charles William[9], Melvin[8], William[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles William "Bill" Viets, son of Melvin and Beatrice (Hurd) Viets, was born March 29, 1913. He married Martha Marie White. Mr. Viets is in the construction business in Dayton, Ohio. Children:

940. i. James D. "Chip," born July 18, 1958.
ii. Robert W., resides in Rochester, New York.

835. (Robert Lewis[9], Lewis W.[8], Orville D.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert Lewis Viets, son of Lewis Wesley and and Marie E. (Riesinger) Viets, was born May 1, 1922 in Dayton, Ohio. He married Cristina Hallery. They reside in Clayton, Ohio. Child:

941. i. Scott A., born July 16, 1955.

836. (Brian Wayne[9], William H.[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John,[3], John[2], John[1])

Brian Wayne Viets, son of William H. and Birdie A. (McMackin) Viets, was born August 4, 1936 in San Diego, California. He was married March 22, 1958 in London, England, to Stella Burkin. They are residents of El Cajon, California. Children:

942. i. Tracy Lee, born March 24 1959.
ii. Brian Wayne Jr., born December 22, 1961 in Tucson, Arizona.
iii. Scott David, born December 8, 1964 in Lompoc, California.

837. (Daniel Earl[9], Hiram R.[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Daniel Earl Viets, son of Hiram R. and Pauline June (Arant) Viets, was born March 7, 1942 in San Diego, California. He married June 1, 1963 Cheri Joan LaRow. They reside in El Centro, California. Children:

943 i. Yevett Pauline, born November 19, 1963.
ii. Daniel Earl Jr., born January 1, 1965.

838. (Victor Eugene[9], Hiram R.[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Victor Eugene Viets, son of Hiram R. and Pauline June (Arant) Viets, was born August 15, 1944 in Oceanside, California. He was married January 24, 1970 in San Diego, California, to Susan E. Blechynden, born about 1952. [VR, California, FHM#6332558.] The family resides in San Diego. Children, born in San Diego:

i. Shelley Deanna, born March 16, 1974.
ii. Justin Timothy, born June 19, 1978.

839. (Byrom Alonzo[9], Byrom A.[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Byrom Alonzo Viets Jr., son of Byrom Alonzo and Ruth E. (Hermiston) Wier Viets, was born December 23, 1936 in San Diego, California. He married October 30, 1959 Debbie Brown. Children, born in San Diego:

i. Barbra Jean, born June 15, 1960.
ii. Linda Bernice, born September 6, 1961.
iii. Richard Todd, born October 8, 1964.

840. (Diane Burnley[9], Byrom A.[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Diane Burnley Viets, daughter of Byrom Alonzo and Ruth E. (Hermiston) Wier Viets, was born May 24, 1940 in San Diego, California. She married November 11, 1959 James Remnick. Children:

i. Michael Ray Remnick, born April 21, 1965 in Tennessee.
ii. Thomas James Remnick, born December 25, 1968 in Albany, Georgia.
iii. Susan Remnick, born March 15, 1970 in Albany, Georgia.

841. (Ildagerta[9], Marshall C.[8], Marshall W.[7], Lemuel W.[6], Zopher[5], [Hezekiah P.[4]?], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Ildagerta Viets, daughter of Marshall C. and Nellie I. (Lawrence) Viets, was born in Cleveland November 3, 1879. She married January 1, 1900 Peter W. Hebebrand, born in Oberlin, Ohio, March 14, 1869, son of Valentine and Anna (Renner) Hebebrand. Resided in Cleveland, Ohio. No children.

842. (Dorothea Teal[9], Marshall C.[8], Marshall W.[7], Lemuel W.[6], Zopher[5], [Hezekiah P.[4]?], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Dorothea Teal Viets, daughter of Marshall C. and Nellie I. (Lawrence) Viets, was born in Cleveland June 25, 1895. She married August 1, 1917 Arthur Herman Reisland, born in Cleveland February 14, 1894, son of Herman and Elizabeth (Krauss) Reisland. Resided in Cleveland. Child:

i. Betty Dorothea Reisland, born August 17, 1918 in Lakewood, Ohio. Married February 2, 1940 Edgar Frederick Kagelmacher, born in Cleveland August 25, 1904, son of Otto C. and May (Thie) Kagelmacher.

843. (George Warren[9], George W.[8], Eugene E.[7], Lemuel W.[6], Zopher[5], [Hezekiah P.[4]?], John[3], John[2], John[1])

George Warren Viets Jr., son of George Warren and Janet (Stevens) Viets, was born in Millvale, Pennsylvania, in 1895. He married in 1932 Hilda Pugh. Mr. Viets died in 1937. Child:

i. George Warren III, born in 1936 in Willard, Ohio.

844. (Janet G.[9], George W.[8], Eugene E.[7], Lemuel W.[6], Zopher[5], [Hezekiah P.[4]?], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Janet G. Viets, daughter of George Warren and Janet (Stevens) Viets, was born in New Castle, Pennsylvania, July 14, 1902. She married on January 20, 1925 Harry George Stephens, born in Mt. Olive, New Jersey, February 11, 1887, son of Charles Whitfield and Annie E. (Gray) Stephens. Resided in Netcong, New Jersey. Children:

i. Carol Marie Stephens, born December 25, 1925 in Montclair, New Jersey. Married in Netcong, New Jersey, November 29, 1946 Peter E. Franklin of Morristown, New Jersey.
ii. Janet Viets Stephens, born May 8, 1927 in Hackettstown, New Jersey; married June 24, 1945 Gerald E. Fritts of Allamucky, New Jersey.
iii. Harry George Stephens II, born May 3, 1931 in Succasunna, New Jersey.

845. (Robert F.[9], Adelbert M.[8], Arthur[7], Hezekiah[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert F. Viets, son of Adelbert M. and Myrtle (Freidt) Viets, was born February 15, 1903; married in 1922 Ester Duvick, born April 11, 1904 in Danville, Illinois, daughter of John and Amanda (Nelson) Duvick. Mr. Viets married second, July 6 1936 Ellen Liddick, born June 24, 1918 in Waterman, Illinois, daughter of Walter R. and Flora (Hart) Liddick. They resided in Chicago. Children, by first marriage:

i. Shirley Mae, born January 21, 1923.
ii. Robert Lowell, born April 3, 1925.

By second marriage:

iii. Richard David, born March 10, 1939 in Chicago.

846. (Margaret E.[9], Adelbert M.[8], Arthur[7], Hezekiah[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Margaret E. Viets, daughter of Adelbert M. and Myrtle (Freidt) Viets, was born August 19, 1905; married March 24, 1928 Russell L. Giffin, born June 5, 1898 in Charleston, Illinois, son of James Wesley and Estella (Brooks) Giffin. Resided in Aurora, Illinois. Child:

i. Mary Ellen Giffin, born November 25, 1930 in Sandwich, Illinois.

847. (Elda Ludell Pepper[9], Floyd J.[8], Jason[7], Benjamin[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Elda Ludell Pepper Viets, daughter of Floyd Jason and Amelia A. (Pepper) Viets, was born June 2, 1917 in Whiteford, Monroe County, Michigan; married April 29, 1944 in Milan, Michigan, Donald William Fuller, born February 17, 1914 in Milan, son of William H. and Alma (Health) Fuller. He died in Ottawa Lake, Michigan, February 1, 1968; Mrs. Fuller died there February 17, 1985. Children:

i. Barbara Jean Fuller, born March 16, 1947 in Milan; married David Yeager. Resides in Park Forest, Illinois.
ii. Donald William Fuller, Jr., born March 7, 1950 in Milan; married Ellen Tokles. Resides in Lexington, Illinois.

iii. Virginia Fuller, born March 24, 1954 in Milan. Resides in Houston, Texas. Unmarried.
iv. Janet Fuller, born August 28, 1958 in Ottawa Lake; married Gale Pollard. Resides in Houston, Texas.

848. (Hildred Catherine[9], Ralph S.[8], Truman T.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Hildred Catherine Viets, daughter of Ralph Stuart and Isophene (Scott) Viets, was born in LaMonte, Missouri, February 24, 1908; married July 3, 1933, John Vogel, born May 30, 1909 in Kansas City, Kansas, son of Edward J. and Monica (Fuhr) Vogel. Mr. Vogel was a furrier, now retired. They resided in Kansas City, Missouri. Mrs. Vogel died in 1986. Children, born in Kansas City:

i. John Joseph Vogel Jr., born April 7, 1934; married first, July 21, 1956 Nancy Ann (Hyatt) Thomas. They had three children (Vogel). John married second on November 22, 1963 Gerald Dean Littlefield, born April 7, 1937 in Stockton, California, daughter of Bertram J. and Nellie L. (Herrick) Littlefield. They reside in Lee's Summit, Missouri. One daughter (Vogel).
ii. Teresa Ann Vogel, born December 16, 1935; married January 15, 1955 Bobbie K. Thurman. The Thurmans are now divorced. Five children (Thurman).
iii. Mary Catherine Vogel, born June 9, 1937; married April 7, 1956 Kenneth Wayne Gray, son of Joseph Waldin and Nellie May (Van Noy) Gray. Four children (Gray).
iv. Helen Elizabeth Vogel, born October 26, 1938. Unmarried.
v. Patricia Suzanne Vogel, born March 27, 1944; married June 6, 1964 Anthony Joseph Kiado, son of Jim and Josephine (Penna) Kiado. They were divorced. Two children (Kiado). She married second May 25, 1979 William F. Akers.
vi. Ralph Edward Vogel, born March 1, 1950; married February 11, 1972 Patricia Ann Vowells, born November 27, 1951 in Kansas City, daughter of John Poiner and Mary JoAnn (Hickey) Vowells. Two children (Vogel).
vii. Cynthia Jean Vogel, born July 22, 1951; married August 12, 1972 Patrick John Clifford, born November 25, 1950, son of Francis J. and Marie (Lamb) Clifford. Two daughters (Clifford).

849. (Marjorie Doris[9], Leroy R.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Marjorie Doris Viets, daughter of LeRoy Rollin and Charlotte Grace (Huckett) Viets, was born January 4, 1908 in Jefferson County, Kansas. She married July 6, 1926 Rubert Joseph Barrett, born February 18, 1902 in Manistee, Michigan, son of John Robert and Mary (Downey) Barrett. Rubert Barrett was in the fire protection business for more than 40 years. He died May 21, 1985. Mrs. Barrett lives in Lee's Summit, Missouri. Her hobby is bowling and she has won many trophies at this sport. Children, born in Kansas City, Missouri:

i. Marjorie Blanche Barrett, born July 15, 1927; married May 2, 1946 John Carroll, born October 15, 1923 in Sioux City, Iowa. Two daughters (Carroll).
ii. Phillip LeRoy Barrett, born May 19, 1939; married December 29, 1958 at Clyde, Kansas, Margaret Ann Coulter, born November 9, 1939 in Concordia, Kansas. Two children (Barrett).

850. (Mary Adelyn[9], Leroy R.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Mary Adelyn Viets, daughter of Leroy Rollin and Charlotte Grace (Huckett) Viets, was born July 22, 1910 in Jefferson County, Kansas. She married November 30, 1929 Frank O. Young, born January 9, 1906 in Garnett, Kansas, son of William Simpson and Elizabeth (Kelsey) Young. Mr. Young, now retired, was an engineer for radio station KMBC in Kansas City. Mrs. Young died January 28, 1963 in Mission, Jackson County, Missouri. Mr. Young resides in Lee's Summit, Missouri. No children.

851. (Arthur Rollin[9], Leroy R.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Arthur Rollin Viets, son of Leroy Rollin and Charlotte Grace (Huckett) Viets, was born September 4, 1912; married May 12, 1934 Bonita Opal McNew, born October 10, 1913 in Sedalia, Missouri, daughter of Ira L. and Clara (Prince) McNew. Arthur served in World War II as a sergeant in General Patton's command. They reside in Harrisonville, Missouri. No children.

852. (Maurice Charles[9], LeRoy R.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1],)

Maurice Charles "Kelly" Viets, son of LeRoy Rollin and Charlotte Grace (Huckett) Viets, was born May 24, 1918 in Jefferson County, Kansas; married September 3, 1938 Edna Lorene Felt, born May 22, 1918 in Mendon, Missouri, daughter of Harry Bassett and Etta (Engleman) Felt. Kelly served in the medical corps in World War II. He is a licensed pilot and his hobby is sport aviation. He is a consulting engineer, now retired. They reside in Lyndon, Kansas. Children:

944. i. Kelly Charles, born October 28, 1942.
945. ii. John Arthur, born May 8, 1946.
946. iii. Barbara Lorene, born December 15, 1949.

[Note: The material on the next three families comes from Donald Clinton Viets, and will be published shortly in his history of the Edmund Buckley family. I am grateful to Don for sharing this data on the Viets family.--DVS]

853. (Donald Clinton[9], Leslie C.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Donald Clinton Viets, son of Leslie Clinton and Alice Minnie (Buckley) Viets, was born September 1, 1924 in Aurora, Kansas. He married April 7, 1945 in Wichita, Kansas, Ruth Elizabeth Paulin, born November 14, 1922 in Wichita, daughter of the Reverend Milo Jasper and Marian Marie (Wight) Paulin. Mr. Viets served in World War II in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He was graduated from Friends University in Wichita; in his junior year he was voted the most outstanding of his class and won a scholarship. He received a bachelor of divinity (later reissued as a master of theology) at Perkins School of Theology in Dallas, Texas. Don Viets has been a pastor for the past thirty-eight years, serving ten different appointments in the Kansas West Conference of the Methodist Church.

Mrs. Viets graduated from Friends University in Wichita. She has an accreditation in Christian Education from Garrett and Iliff School of Theology in Denver. She served as director of Christian Education in the Methodist church for four years, helping it to become one of the largest Sunday Schools in all of United Methodism. They both enjoy traveling and have made several trips to the Holy Land and Europe. They are retired and live in Marion, Kansas. Child:

947. i. Dona Rhu, born March 28, 1950.

854. (Arlene Ruth[9], Leslie C.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Arlene Ruth Viets, daughter of Leslie Clinton and Alice Minnie (Buckley) Viets, was born September 29, 1931 in Aurora, Kansas; married August 18, 1953 James Bitneau Rockwood, born December 20, 1930 in Calvin, Oklahoma, son of Joe Shaw and Irma Elizabeth (Hopkins) Rockwood. Mrs. Rockwood holds a B.S. in library science; her husband an M.A. in English and foreign languages from Kansas State Teachers' College. Mr. Rockwood is a Presbyterian minister with a master of theology degree from McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago. The Rockwoods served ten years as missionaries in the Philippines, serving the Bible Training College of San Fernando, La Union. They returned to the states in 1970 where the Reverend Rockwood served as pastor of the Butler Presbyterian Church in Butler, Missouri. In 1980 they returned to serve again as missionaries and are currently making their home in San Fernando, La Union, Philippines. Children:

i. Kevin Bitneau Rockwood, was born April 17, 1955 in Chicago; he was married May 31, 1980 in Cupertino, California, to Noemi Ramos Bucago. She was born November 23, 1953 in Cucnotan, La Union, Philippines, daughter of Leon and Elizabeth (Ramos) Bucago. Mr. Rockwood is an auto mechanic. Mrs. Rockwood is employed by the U.S. postal system. They are residents of San Jose, California.

ii. Tacy Lynette Rockwood, was born September 22, 1959 in Concordia,

Kansas. She married July 20, 1985 in Butler, Missouri, Earl C. Hutchens Jr., born May 28, 1950 in Kansas City, Missouri, son of Earl C. Hutchens Sr. and Clara M. Snyder. Mrs. Hutchens is employed by the University of Missouri, Kansas City, and her husband is a food product broker. They reside in Blue Springs, Missouri.

iii. Janice Elaine Rockwood, born January 26, 1964 in San Fernando, La Union, Philippines. She is a graduate of Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas. She is employed at Research Mental Health Services and resides in Raytown, Missouri.

855. (Velma Evelyn[9], Leslie C.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Velma Evelyn Viets, daughter of Leslie Clinton and Alice Minnie (Buckley) Viets, was born May 28, 1933 in Ames, Kansas; married August 18, 1957 in Clyde, Kansas, Paul David Frazier, born February 2, 1936 in Solon Springs, Wisconsin, son of Hugh Holmes and Bernice Alberta (Smith) Frazier. Mrs. Frazier received a B.S. in education in 1955 from Emporia State University. Her interests are architecture, art, design and illustration, film, and travel. She is an avid book collector.

Dr. Frazier is an orthodontist in dental research with his degree awarded from the University of Iowa. Both husband and wife have advanced degrees from the University of Washington. Dr. Frazier has served twenty-two and one half years in the U.S. Public Health Service in Bethesda, Maryland. He is now retired from the health service and has his own practice in orthodontics. They reside in Rockville, Maryland. Children:

i. Douglas Warren Frazier, was born July 23, 1960 in Concordia, Kansas. He married August 20, 1983 in Rockville, Maryland, Rebecca Ann Turkington, born March 6, 1960 in Kansas City, Missouri, daughter of Robert Scott and Edris Louise (McCarty) Turkington. Mr. Frazier has a B.S. degree in mechanical engineering from Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia. He worked for the Martin Marietta Aerospace Corporation in Orlando, Florida. He and his wife were divorced in 1988. He now resides in Boulder, Colorado.

ii. Russell Cameron Frazier, born April 12, 1964 in Bethesda, Maryland. He has a B.F.A in film and television. He is pursuing a career as a cinematographer and enjoys music, cars, history, art, industrial design, and travel. He resides in Burbank, California.

856. (Robert Edwin[9], Ivan D.[8], Frank E.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert Edwin Viets, son of Ivan Dean and Laura (Beal) Viets, was born January 26, 1916 in Lawrence, Kansas; married first, June 12, 1945 Marguerite Catherine O'Conner. This marriage ended in divorce in 1954. He married

second, April 27, 1956 in Evanston, Illinois, Ethel Caroline Stricker, born June 15, 1923 in Rogers City, Michigan, daughter of Ferdinand and Martha Stricker. Bob served with the 28th Signal Company during World War II as a First Lieutenant. He participated in the invasion of France with the First Army. He is a cabinet maker, now retired. Resides in Evanston, Illinois. Child:

i. John Dean, born June 27, 1958 in Evanston. He works with his father as a cabinet maker. He is proficient at wood carving and shows many of his bird sculptures at art exhibitions.

857. (Dorothy Dean[9], Ivan D.[8], Frank E.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Dorothy Dean Viets, daughter of Ivan Dean and Laura (Beal) Viets, was born September 20, 1919 in Lawrence, Kansas; married in Raleigh, North Carolina, December 14, 1941 Stewart Claude Schell, born February 4, 1912 in Reading, Pennsylvania, son of Claude and Mabel Irene (Yergey) Schell. Stewart served in World War II as a First Lieutenant with the U.S. Public Health Service. He retired after twenty-eight years of teaching at the University of Idaho. He continues to teach medical students. He is the author of numerous scientific papers and several books in his field of parasitology. His hobbies are playing the organ and gardening.

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SCHELL, STEWART CLAUDE, educator; b. Reading, Pa., Feb. 4, 1912; s. Claude and Mabel (Yergey) S.; B.S., Kan. State U., 1939; M.S., N.C. State Coll., 1941; Ph.D., U. Ill., 1950; m. Dorothy Dean Viets, Dec. 14, 1941; children--Carol Sue (Mrs. James Crathorne), Patricia Jean (Mrs. Charles Walton IV). Mem. faculty U. Ida., 1949--, prof. zoology, 1962--, Chmn. dept. 1958--. Served with USPHS, World War II; Mem. Am. Soc. Parasitologists, Am. Microscopical Soc., Sigma Xi, Author: The Trematodes, 1970. Home: 731 South Blaine St., Moscow, ID 83843.

Mrs. Schell holds a B.A. and an M.S. in entomology from the University of Kansas. She studied microbiology and worked for a few years in biochemical research at the University of Idaho. Upon "retirement" she studied art at the University of Idaho for several years and has achieved a moderate degree of success as a printmaker and watercolorist. Dorothy Dean is the author of this book on the Viets family which is the culmination of a number of years with another of her hobbies, family history. She is an ardent sports fan, preferring professional baseball and hockey. Children:

i. Carol Sue Schell, born October 13, 1942 in Raleigh, North Carolina; married February 19, 1960 in Moscow, Idaho, James Russell Crathorne, born July 14, 1938 in Potlatch, Idaho, son of Russell Ferell and Eunice Lucile (Trotter) Crathorne. Jim works for the University of Idaho and Carol for Washington State

University. They reside in Moscow, Idaho. Four children (Crathorne).

ii. Patricia Jean Schell, born December 1, 1944 in Weeksville, North Carolina; married June 22, 1966 Charles Wesley Walton IV, born February 22, 1944, son of Charles Wesley and Betty Caswell (Pearce) Walton. Both Chuck and Patty work for Safeway Stores, Inc. They reside in Kennewick, Washington. One child (Walton).

858. (Harrison Frederick[9], Harry L.[8], Edgar S.[7], Harrison[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Harrison Frederick "Jack" Viets, son of Harry Leonard and Irene Frances (Wiggins) Viets, was born August 12, 1911 in Cleveland, Ohio; married June 30, 1930 Dorothy Shirley White, born September 21, 1913 in Cleveland, daughter of Harry Thayer and Edna Mary (Jones) White. Mr. Viets was Training Programs Administrator for Lockheed Aircraft Corporation. In his younger years he played trumpet and accordian in bands. He served in World War II. Jack died June 6, 1969 in Burbank, California. Mrs. Viets married Kenneth R. Wheeler in 1976. They later separated. She died April 4, 1985 in Burbank. Children:

948. i. Jeffrey Jon (twin), born December 28, 1942.

ii. Craig Harrison (twin), born December 28, 1942; died January 16, 1943. [VR, California, FHM#6332560.]

949. iii. Bradley Alan, born April 5, 1945.

950. iv. David Russell, born February 11, 1947.

v. Valerie Irene, born April 14, 1948 in Glendale, California. She is the owner/operator of a dog kennel in Burbank. She was president of the Lhasa Apso Club, finished three homebred Champions (Lhasa Apsos), and owned the #1 stud dog for two years. She has also handled various other breeds in the show ring. Her hobby was showing dogs for fifteen years. She now likes to read, does some writing, and is researching metaphysics. She lists as one of her great achievements: "LIVING!"

859. (Jack Harold[9], Carl B.[8], William B.[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Jack Harold Viets, son of Carl Byron and Jessie Margaret (Roderick) Viets, was born February 14, 1923 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania; married June 6, 1959 in Lebanon, Pennsylvania, Betty Parr. They were later divorced. No children.

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VIETS, JACK HAROLD, state ofcl. Pa.; b. Bloomsburg, Pa., Feb. 14, 1923; s. Carl Byron and Jessie Margaret (Roderick) V.; B.A., Gettysburg Coll., 1949, Auditor, Auditor Gen's Office Pa., 1951-56; shipping foreman Bethlehem Steel Co., 1956-60; mgmt. analyst Pa Dept. Pub. Welfare, 1961-68, administrv. officer Office Mental Health, 1968-71; chief adminstv. sers. Office Asso. Dep. for Mines and Land Protection, Pa. Dept Environ. Resources, Harrisburg, 1971--. Active local drives for YMCA,

U.S. Savs. Bonds, United Fund. Served with USAAF, 1943-45; ETO; 1t. col. Res. Decorated Air medal with 4 oak leaf clusters. D.F.C. Mem. Am Contract Bridge League, Gettysburg Coll. Alumni Assn. (v.p. Harrisburg), Nat. Sojourners, V.F.W., Am Legion, Internat. Personnel Mgmt. Assn., Travelers Protective Assn., Sigma Chi, Republican, Presbyn, Mason. Clubs: Harrisburg Bridge; Mechanicsburg Bridge (pres. 1971), Mechanicsburg Officers. Home: 5130 Erbs Bridge Rd, Mechanicsburg PA 17055. Office: Fulton Bldg., Harrisburg PA 17120.

860. (Richard William[9], Carl B.[8], William B.[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Richard William Viets, son of Carl Byron and Jessie Margaret (Roderick) Viets, was born April 26, 1930 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania; married Anita Slusser in Bloomsburg May 20, 1961. They are divorced. Children, born in Bloomsburg:

i. Debra Louise, born December 2, 1963.
ii. Richard Scott, born August 12, 1965; married Kimberly Kay Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Brown, July 11, 1987 in Wilmington, Delaware.

861. (William D.[9], Guy W.[8], William B.[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

William D. Viets, son of Guy W. and Barbara (Davenport) Viets, was born March 22, 1920 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania; married Gertrude Meyer, a German National. He died February 19, 1975 in New York state. Mrs. Viets lives in Oneida, New York. [Data from Jack Harold Viets, August 1987.] Children, born in Bloomsburg:

i. Olivia, born August 16, 1949.
ii. Dennis, born May 11, 1954.

862. (Shirley[9], Guy W.[8], William B.[7], Adam C.[6], Ira[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Shirley, daughter of Guy W. and Barbara (Davenport) Viets, was born July 21, 1926 in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania; she married there August 12, 1950 Ralph Ivey. She died February 6, 1987. Child:

i. Larry Allen Ivey, born May 14, 1957 in Bloomsburg; married Cynthia _____ November 12, 1977 in Mifflintown, Pennsylvania. Three children (Ivey).

863. (John Butler[9], John Henry[8], John K.[7], Henry S.[6], John K.[5], Roger M.[4], Roger [3], John[2], John[1])

John Butler Viets, son of John Henry and Elizabeth (Butler) Viets, was born December 6, 1925 in Saco, Maine. He married March 29, 1961 in Elkton, Maryland, Marjorie Gould. She was born July 21, 1924 in Saco, Maine, daughter

of Samuel and Gladys (Fernald) Gould. Mr. Viets is a retired ironworker whose hobbies are gardening, fishing, and woodworking. He served in the U.S. Army from November 1943 to May 1946. Mrs. Viets is a clerk; she enjoys cooking as a hobby. They reside in Lynn, Massachusetts. No children.

864. (William Douglas II[9], William D.[8], Harry A.[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

William Douglas Viets II, son of William Douglas and Norma Abbey (Roberts) Viets, was born March 13, 1943 in Springfield, Massachusetts. He married in 1969 in Springfield Judy Hamberg. They reside in Gaithersburg, Maryland. Child:

i. Sara.

865. (John Peter[9], John C.[8], Robert B.[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

John Peter Viets, son of John Campbell "Peter" and Mary Elizabeth (Johnston) Viets, was born March 9, 1951 in Ottawa, Canada. He married August 14, 1976 Martha Moore, born January 17, 1954 in Kapuskasing, Ontario, daughter of George Bertram and Jane Marie (Carmichael) Moore. Mr. Viets has a teacher's certificate from the Province of Ontario. He is a self employed contractor. Mrs. Viets is studying for a registered nurse's certificate. Children:

i. Aspen Elizabeth, born November 27, 1977 in Prince George, British Columbia.
ii. Yarrow Marie, born September 27, 1981 in Perth, Ontario.

866. (Robert William[9], John C.[8], Robert B.[7], John M.[6], Botsford[5], Roger M.[4], Roger[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert William Viets, son of John Campbell "Peter" and Mary Elizabeth (Johnston) Viets, was born October 3, 1952 in Ottawa, Canada. He married August 23, 1974 Leslie Stewart, born April 1, 1952 in Ottawa, daughter of Thomas Woodman and Jean (Douglas) Stewart. Mr. Viets is in the contracting business and owner of the Robert Viets Log and Timber Homes Company. He has an Hon. Bachelor of Arts in geography. His wife has an Hon. Bachelor of Arts in psychology as well as a Bachelor of Education. Children, born in Ottawa:

i. Lindsay Allison, born April 17, 1978.
ii. Heidi Gillian, born July 22, 1980.
iii. Emily Lauren, born November 10, 1983.

867. (Harry Chester[9], Arthur H. A.[8], Eugene F.[7], Fayette[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Harry Chester Viets, son of Arthur Henry Albert and Pearl Evelyn (Bouldry) Viets, was born April 14, 1915 in East Bridgewater, Massachusetts. [VR, Massachusetts, Births, 1915, V630.] He was married in 1943 in East

Bridgewater. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0954941.] He died in 1979 or 1980 in East Bridgewater. Children, born in Brockton, Massachusetts:

i. Meredith Lee, born in 1944. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0959518.] She married in 1969 in East Bridgewater, James Levy. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0961260.]
ii. Judith Helen, born in 1948. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0959305.] She married in 1971 in East Bridgewater, Donald Greenlaw. [VR, Massachusetts, FHF#0961261.]

868. (Florence Alson[9], Harry A.[8], Eugene F.[7], Fayette[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Florence Alson Viets, daughter of Harry Alson and Charlotte A. (Randall) Viets, was born April 4, 1922 in Bridgewater, Massachusetts. She married September 29, 1943 in Edgartown, Massachusetts, John Edward Garrahan Jr., born December 2, 1921 in Providence, Rhode Island, son of John E. and Evelyn (James) Garrahan. Mr. Garrahan served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1942 to 1945 in World War II. He died in Seekonk, Massachusetts, August 24, 1980.

Mrs. Garrahan has a B.S. degree in education and is a certified counselor in alcoholism and related problems. She retired in 1986 after twenty years as a social caseworker for the state of Rhode Island, serving in Family Service and later working with the elderly and handicapped. She also worked in the anti-poverty program for the city of Providence. She is a Past Noble Grand - seven stars Rebekah Lodge #164 and past president of several community organizations. She reports that her hobbies are "knitting, sewing, ceramics, oil painting, reading, and my grandchildren." Children:

i. John Edward Garrahan II, born May 18, 1945 in Waltham, Massachusetts; married first July 9, 1964 Arlene Boucher. They divorced and he married July 8, 1984 Denise Longlois. Three children (Garrahan), two by first wife, one by second.
ii. Michael Richard Garrahan, born April 10, 1946 in Waltham, Massachusetts; married September 9, 1972, Patricia Stewart. Two children (Garrahan).
iii. Elaine Charlotte Garrahan, born October 11, 1949 in Providence, Rhode Island; married October 2, 1976 Dennis Sheehan. One child (Sheehan).
iv. William David Garrahan, born August 15, 1952 in Providence; married September 14, 1974 Arlene Masterson. Two children (Garrahan).
v. Wayne Alson Garrahan, born February 7, 1954 in Providence; married April 8, 1978 Diane Lucas. Two children (Garrahan).
vi. Sharon Evelyn Garrahan, born January 31, 1956 in Providence; married February 24, 1973 Donald Blake. They were divorced in 1977. Two children (Blake).
vii. James Warren Garrahan, born November 19, 1958 in Providence.

869. (Warren Randall[9], Harry A.[8], Eugene F.[7], Fayette[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Warren Randall Viets, son of Harry Alson and Charlotte A. (Randall) Viets, was born May 18, 1923 in Bridgewater, Massachusetts. He married April 29, 1944 in Greenfield, Massachusetts, Marjorie Lois Bolton, born September 12, 1922 in Greenfield, daughter of Forest H. and Abbie J. (Kennedy) Bolton. He has a B.S. degree in civil engineering from Northeastern University and is now retired after working in the field of water resources with the United States Army Corps of Engineers. His hobbies are golf, gardening, woodworking, and bridge. Mrs. Viets is a homemaker who shares her husband's hobbies of golf and bridge, and also enjoys sewing and raising house plants. She holds a B.A. degree in home economics from the University of Massachusetts. They reside in Auburn, California. Children:

951. i. Laureen Carole, born April 8, 1945.
952. ii. Robert Randall, born September 21, 1946.
953. iii. Roger Warren, born September 17, 1955.

870. (Robert Coil[9], William A.[8], Rollin S.[7], Philander D.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert Coil Viets, son of William Andrew and Freda Elizabeth (Freund) Viets, was born January 10, 1916 in Vincennes, Indiana. He married twice. His second marriage was to Hanna Christine Offenhausen, on April 1, 1972. In 1975 he was living in Arlington, Texas.

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> Viets, Robert Coil, paper co., exec; b. Vincennes, Ind., Jan. 10, 1916; s. William Andrew and Freda Elizabeth (Freund) V.; student Purdue U., 1935-38; B.S., Ind. U., 1939; postgrad., Tex. A. and M. U., 1942; m. Hanna Christine Offenhausen, April 1, 1972; 1 dau. by previous marriage, Susan (Mrs. Henry Keith Fox). With Packaging Corp. of Am., 1940--, gen mgr. corrugated shipping container plant, Arlington, Tex., 1965--, Bd dirs Jr. Achievement, 1973--. Served to lt. USNR, 1942-45. Mem. Tex. Mfrs. Assn., Fibre Box Assn., (chmn. S. Central Zone 1972-73) Audubon Soc., Presbyn, Mason (32 deg., Shriner), Elk. Home: 2111 Almond St Arlington TX 76011 Office: 1000 Great Southwest Pkway Arlington TX 76011.

Child:

i. Susan, married Henry Keith Fox.

871. (Yvette Anne[9], Wayne R.[8], Ralph S.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Yvette Anne Viets, daughter of Wayne Ralph and Joyce Laura (Ette) Viets, was born August 20, 1952 in Aurora, Adams County, Colorado. She married November 23, 1974 Daniel Lee Flaten. Mrs. Flaten has an M.A. in Scandinavian-Viking

history. She has an interest in the Viets family history and has been of great help on the Wisconsin branch of the family. The family resides in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Children:

i. Matthew Viets Flaten, born ca 1979.
ii. Avril Flaten, born 1984.

872. (Michael James[9], Hollis W.[8], Ralph S.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Michael James Viets, son of Hollis William and Vergene (Erickson) Viets, was born in May 1946 in Franklin, Indiana. He married first November 30, 1973 Karen Okey. He married second April 5, 1985 Martha Elders. They live in Kent, Ohio. Children, by first marriage, born in Zanesville, Ohio:

i. Tiffani Joye, born July 17, 1977.
ii. Benjamin James, born February 25, 1981.

873. (Terry William[9], Hollis W.[8], Ralph S.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Terry William Viets, son of Hollis William and Vergene (Erickson) Viets, was born in November 1948 in Champaign-Urbana, Illinois. He married April 17, 1970 in Fresno County, California, Marilyn M. Allred. They reside in Edmond, Oklahoma. Children, born in Sacramento, California:

i. Chaffee William, born November 22, 1974.
ii. Keely Melinda, born May 16, 1977.

874. (Donald Byron[9], Hollis W.[8], Ralph S.[7], Elliot W.[6], Rollin[5], Jesse[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1])

Donald Byron Viets, son of Hollis William and Vergene (Erickson) Viets, was born May 30, 1953 in Roswell, New Mexico. He married first in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, July 7, 1973 Jodi Flesberg; second in Sacramento County, California, March 17, 1978 Deanna L. Simmons, and third in Lake Tahoe, Nevada, May 30, 1981 Deborah Dean. No children. They reside in Citrus Heights, California.

875. (Virginia Louise[9], Arthur J.[8], Arthur J.[7], Leander[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Virginia Louise Viets, daughter of Arthur James "Jack" and Virginia Elizabeth (Alcorn) Viets, was born October 10, 1944 in Jackson, Mississippi. She married in Dallas, Texas, June 22, 1968 Ronald Burton Olson, son of Burton R. and Rosemary (Miller) Olson, born July 20, 1946 in San Antonio, Texas. Virginia graduated from Texas Tech at Lubbock in 1968 with a B.A. in French and Spanish. Ronald is also a graduate of Texas Tech. He is a pilot for Delta Airlines. They own a store, K and J Christmas Treasures, where they sell hand-made, hand-painted German toys. Children, born in New Orleans:

i. Kristen Elizabeth Olson, born February 24, 1974.
ii. Jill Marie Olson, born December 10, 1978.

876. (Sandra Kay[9], Frank G.[8], Frank G.[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Sandra Kay Viets, daughter of Frank Garfield Jr. and Virginia L. (Stanberry) Viets, was born September 5, 1941 in Berkeley, California. She married Leo Dunning. Mrs. Dunning resides in Boulder, Colorado. No children.

877. (John Garfield[9], Frank G.[8], Frank G.[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

John Garfield Viets, son of Frank Garfield Jr. and Virginia L. (Stanberry) Viets, was born November 16, 1944 in Brookings, South Dakota. He married Marcia Offer. They reside in Golden, Colorado. Child:

i. Peter David, born December 20, 1980 in Denver, Colorado.

878. (James Norman[9], Frank G.[8], Frank G.[7], John F.[6], Byron[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

James Norman, son of Frank Garfield Jr. and Virginia L. (Stanberry) Viets, was born August 12, 1953 in Prosser, Washington. He married July 20, 1983 Mary Lynn Gobaris. They reside in Golden, Colorado.

879. (Lloyd Oscar[9], Lloyd O.[8], Leonard C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Lloyd Oscar Viets Jr., son of Lloyd Oscar and Pearl Mae (Wehr) Viets, was born February 28, 1919 in Youngstown, Ohio. He married March 23, 1943 Ellen Marie Campbell, born April 23, 1922. He was living in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, in 1973. [Obituary of uncle, Ray Austin Viets, January 17, 1973, Olive Press, Cleveland, Ohio.] Children:

i. Lloyd Oscar III, born August 14, 1945 in Davenport, Iowa.
ii. Ellen Christine, born June 14, 1948 in Steubenville, Ohio.

880. (Marian[9], Lloyd O.[8], Leonard C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Marian Viets, daughter of Lloyd Oscar and Pearl May (Wehr) Viets, was born August 2, 1933 in Weirton, West Virginia. She married first, David Von Duyke and second, Howard Blanchard in Cleveland, Ohio. Children, born in Cleveland:

i. David Von Duyke Jr., born August 29, 1957.
ii. Heather Melinda Von Duyke, born May 8, 1960.

881. (Robert Lucius[9], Harold L.[8], Abner C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert Lucius Viets, son of Harold L. and Helen Ruby (Webb) Viets, was born May 2, 1922 in Warren, Ohio. He married Mary Gwendolyn Cook, born September 23, 1924 in Cortland, Ohio, daughter of Ted and Mary Cook. Mr. Viets was owner of the Chevrolet agency founded by his father in Vienna, Ohio. He is now retired. Children:

954. i. Janet Lynn, born November 23, 1947.
955. ii. Roger Lee, born March 8, 1949.

882. (Vera Arlene[9], Harold L.[8], Abner C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Vera Arlene Viets, daughter of Harold L. and Helen Ruby (Webb) Viets, was born November 12, 1923 in Warren, Ohio. She married in Vienna, Ohio, March 28, 1946 Robert George Burns, son of Louis Robert and Verda (Hankey) Burns, born November 22, 1919 in Youngstown, Ohio. He was a coach, teacher, and administrator in the Austinburg, Ohio, school system, now retired. Mrs. Burns is retired from teaching twenty-nine years at Canfield Middle School in Canfield, Ohio. They are residents of Youngstown, Ohio. Children, born in Youngstown:

i. Karen Lee Burns, born August 16, 1947; married William Seaton who is vice-president of Thomas Edison College. Mrs. Seaton is a teacher. They have three children, the two youngest adopted from Korea and Vietnam. The family lives in Newtown, Pennsylvania.
ii. Robert Edward Burns, born December 20, 1950; married Diane Sulenski. Mr. Burns is an attorney with the Security Exchange Commission in Washington, D.C. They reside in Woodbridge, Virginia. Two daughters (Burns).

883. (Ella Mildred[9], Harold L.[8], Abner C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ella Mildred Viets, daughter of Harold L. and Helen Ruby (Webb) Viets, was born October 29, 1925 in Warren, Ohio. She married on February 14, 1948 in Vienna, Ohio, Damon Gray Burley, born October 16, 1924 in Canton, Ohio, son of Emery Earl and Frances (McMillen) Burley. They reside in Elk Grove, California. Children:

i. Lynn Ellen Burley, born January 23, 1950 in Youngstown, Ohio. She married Charles Fuller.
ii. Debra Elaine Burley, born November 18, 1952. She married first Rodd Keetch, and second Rick Bray.

884. (Arthur Ronald[9], Harold L.[8], Abner C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Arthur Ronald Viets, son of Harold L. and Helen Ruby (Webb) Viets, was born September 25, 1940 in Youngstown, Ohio. He married August 12, 1961 Pamela Jane Tedrick, born May 4, 1940 in Warren, Ohio, daughter of Joseph Charles and Merrium Hazel (Miller) Tedrick. Mr. Viets owns the Chevrolet agency in Fredericktown, Ohio. He has a B.A. from Youngstown University and attended Chevrolet Dealers' Sons' School. He has served as lieutenant governor and club president of Kiwanis; chairman of Fredericktown Area Development Foundation; trustee of Thrall Lodge AF&AM; and on the advisory board of DeMolay.

He served as First Lieutenant, U.S. Army Ordnance Corps, in Korea and was Chief of Maintenance, Tobyhanna Army Depot, in Tobyhanna, Pennsylvania. Pamela holds a B.S. in education and is an educator and publishing consultant. She works in public relations for the Methodist Mission of Korea. She is the Korea contact for American Information Service for Trumbull County, Ohio, and is a member of the League of Women Voters. Her hobbies are creative writing, weaving, painting, and gardening. Children:

i. Ian Ronald, born January 10, 1972 in Warren, Ohio.
ii. Edward Webb, born September 4, 1974 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

885. (Robert F.[9], John F.[8], John A.[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert F. Viets, son of John Francis and Evelyn A. (Peterson) Viets, was born January 15, 1944 in Portland, Oregon. He married in Berkeley, California, December 5, 1967 Denise L. Gilmore, daughter of Robert A. and Billie Ann (Winter) Gilmore. Mr. Viets is an agronomist, working first for Harris Lab, Inc., out of Lincoln, Nebraska, later for Harza Agricultural Services of Fresno, California. He is presently working for the Allen Ranch which has acreages near Coalinga, California, and in Montana. The family lives in Coalinga. Children, born in Fresno:

i. Christine Ann, born January 9, 1971.
ii. Melissa Lynne, born January 14, 1973.
iii. Sarah Elizabeth, born October 24, 1976.

886. (Ray Albert[9], Clair H.J.[8], Lathrop E.[7], Henry L.[6], Lathrop A.[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Ray Albert Viets, son of Clair H. J. and Marie (Cooke) Viets, was born February 1, 1921 in Marmarth, North Dakota. He was married December 20, 1941 in Fargo, North Dakota, to Julia Marie Urness.

887. (Mark Steven[9], Robert A.[8], Joshua Q.[7], Robert R.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Mark Steven Viets, son of Robert Adron and Mary Dorris (Hunter) Viets, was born October 20, 1954 in Clinton, Kentucky. He married January 3, 1976 Deborah Kay Haynes. Child:

i. Joshua Thomas, born June 13, 1976 in Kentucky.

888. Victor Frederick[9], Jack[8], Frederick G.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Victor Frederick Viets, son of Jack Viets and his first wife, Donna Elaine (Stephenson) Viets, was born July 2, 1944 in Jackson, Michigan. He married first in Contra Costa County, California, June 29, 1968 Carol A. Battin. They were divorced in 1971. He married second in Alameda County, California, June 19, 1976 Virginia M. Soffa. They were divorced in 1985. [California Marriages, FHM#6332557 and FHM#6332558.] Mr. Viets is a civil engineer. He resides in Pleasant Hill, California.

889. (Michael Forrest[9], Jack[8], Frederick G.[7], William H.[6], Hobart B.[5], Benoni[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Michael Forrest Viets, son of Jack and Marcia Lorraine (Conrad) Viets, was born May 19, 1925 in LaCenter, Ballard County, Kentucky. He married November 22, 1975 in San Rafael, California, Cheri L. Fossum, born July 8, 1951 in Seattle, Washington, daughter of Martin and Idona Fossum. Child:

i. Lisa Lorraine, born June 28, 1982 in Greenbrae, Marin County, California.

890. (Robert Gregory[9], William G.[8], Ralph W.[7], Walter D.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert Gregory Viets is the son of William G. and Edith (MacBrian) Viets. He is married and resides in Madison, Connecticut. Children:

i. Christopher.
ii. Kirsten.

891. (John Sterling[9], Sterling H.[8], John H.[7], Hartley A.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

John Sterling Viets, son of Sterling Hartley and Esther Frances (Olsen) Viets, was born February 26, 1947 in Hartford. He married in Broad Brook, August 23, 1969 Dorothy Harrington, born February 3, 1947 in Hartford, daughter of Gerald and Dorothy (Streigle) Harrington. Mr. Viets owns a fire equipment company in Bridgeport. He is active in the volunteer fire department in Monroe where the family resides. Children, born in Bridgeport:

i. Ann Grace, born January 21, 1975.
ii. Alison Marie, born November 19, 1977.

892. (Douglas Hartley[9], Sterling H.[8], John H.[7], Hartley A.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Douglas Hartley Viets, son of Sterling Hartley and Esther Frances (Olsen) Viets, was born January 4, 1948 in Hartford. He married in Windsor, August 14, 1971 Priscilla Anne Burnett, born February 22, 1948 in Baltimore, Maryland, daughter of Durand and Carolyn (Ranft) Burnett. Dr. Viets is an active practicing urologist in Greater Hartford. He is active in town and church affairs. Child:

i. Heather Anne, born May 20, 1979 in Charlottesville, Virginia.

893. (Deborah Ann[9], Thomas W.[8], Fred W.[7], Hartley A.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Deborah Ann Viets, daughter of Thomas Whitney and Miriam Jane (Wilbraham) Viets, was born October 26, 1952 in Hartford. She married May 29, 1978, Saihou Saidy, born in 1947 in Banjul, the Gambia, Africa. Children:

i. Lalo Kebba Saidy, born July 12, 1979 in Silver Springs, Maryland.
ii. Matti Mariama Saidy, born August 13, 1982 in Hartford.
iii. Jalika Saidy, born January 20, 1984 in Hartford.

894. (Priscilla Ann[9], Allen D.[8], David A.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Priscilla Ann Viets, daughter of Allen David and Muriel Hildur (Chagnon) Viets, was born August 8, 1942 in Hartford. She married in Simsbury October 9, 1958 Robert F. Brown, son of Robert and Florence (Jacques) Brown. He died March 28, 1973 in Brookfield. She married second November 11, 1973 Gary Walter Peterson, son of Russell and Martha (Lemberg) Peterson. Mr. Peterson has a daughter, Kelly Jean, born June 10, 1969, by a previous marriage. The Petersons reside in Winsted. Children, by first marriage, born in Hartford:

i. Robert Allen Brown, born February 25, 1959. One daughter (Brown).
ii. Thomas Frank Brown, born June 25, 1960.
iii. Eugene Thomas Brown, born March 28, 1962. One son (Brown).
iv. Melissa Lynn Brown, born November 6, 1963.
v. Cheri-Ann Brown, born March 7, 1965. One son (Gagnon).

Children by second marriage:

vi. Kristin Lynn Peterson, born July 19, 1974 in Winsted.
vii. Erika Lynn Peterson, born October 27, 1977 in Torrington.
viii. Kara Lynn Peterson, born November 17, 1980 in Torrington.

895. (Peter Merwin[9], Allen D.[8], David A.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Peter Merwin Viets, son of Allen David and Muriel Hildur (Chagnon) Viets, was born April 11, 1945 in Hartford. He married July 14, 1974 Phyllis Gundberg. Phyllis has four children by a previous marriage: Carmen, Lehana, Richard, and Eric Gundberg. The family lives in Unity, Maine.

896. (Prudence Jane[9], Allen D.[8], David A.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Prudence Jane Viets, daughter of Allen David and Muriel Hildur (Chagnon) Viets, was born May 24, 1947 in Hartford. She married September 9, 1967 Ronald Banning. They reside in Winsted. Children:

i. Sarah Lynn Banning, born November 13, 1969 in Hartford.
ii. Peter Marshall Banning, born June 20, 1973 in Hartford.
iii. Jeffrey Michael Banning, born November 1, 1977 in Torrington.

897. (Paula Jean[9], Allen D.[8], David A.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Paula Jean Viets, daughter of Allen David and Muriel Hildur (Chagnon) Viets, was born January 25, 1949 in Hartford. She married July 6, 1974 Laurent Lagacė. They live in Pine Meadow, Connecticut. Children:

i. Tanya Michelle Lagacė, born February 10, 1975 in Hartford.
ii. Kathy Marie Lagacė born January 23, 1979 in Three Rivers, Quebec, Canada. She died there August 27, 1981.
iii. David Matthew Lagacė, born May 11, 1980 in Hartford.

898. (Phillip Allen[9], Allen D.[8], David A.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Phillip Allen Viets, son of Allen David and Muriel Hildur (Chagnon) Viets, was born May 28, 1951 in Hartford. He married February 14, 1976 Maria Orsini. Maria has one daughter by a previous marriage, Sharon Orsini, born May 4, 1972. Phillip and she were divorced; she is remarried to James Auclair. Children:

i. Allen Francis, born February 26, 1977 in a military hospital in Tennessee.
ii. Shaun Michael, born July 13, 1979 in a military hospital in Germany.

899. (Robert LeRoy[9], Robert L.[8], Dan W.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Robert LeRoy Viets Jr., son of Robert LeRoy and Elizabeth Sara (Chie) Viets,

was born September 5, 1947 in Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan; he married first, March 6, 1970 Bonnie Steiner and second, June 25, 1977 Kathy Hoskins. Children, by first marriage:

i. Kirsten Kaye, born May 4, 1974.

By second marriage:

ii. Mandy Jane, born July 14, 1979.

900. (Jean Elizabeth[9], Robert L.[8], Dan W.[7], Willard W.[6], Dan A.[5], Dan[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1])

Jean Elizabeth Viets, daughter of Robert LeRoy and Elizabeth Sara (Chie) Viets, was born December 14, 1953 in Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan. She married on September 29, 1973 Walter Dennis Steffe. They reside in Ann Arbor. Children:

i. Michael Dennis Steffe, born December 28, 1974.
ii. Robert James Steffe, born December 29, 1976.
iii. Walter Dennis Steffe Jr., born November 20, 1980.

901. (Edwin William[9], Edwin G.[8], Gervase A.[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Edwin William Viets, son of Edwin G. and Martha P. (Beck) Viets, was born November 23, 1932 in New Haven. He married on June 1, 1963 in New Haven, Janet T. Hawkins, born April 23, 1933 in Bridgeport, daughter of George K. and Edna F. (Sabine) Hawkins. Mr. Viets has completed 31 years with the Southern New England Telephone Company as installer. His hobby is carpentry and he has helped to finish the interior of the Branford Methodist Church of which he is a founder member. He served with the U.S. Army. Mrs. Viets is a licensed practical nurse and works with terminally ill patients. The family lives in North Branford. Children, born in New Haven:

i. Keith S., born January 18, 1964.
ii. Heather B., born December 10, 1965.
iii. Melanie T., born June 13, 1967.

902. (Eleanor Beverly[9], Raymond T.[8], George C.[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Eleanor Beverly Viets, daughter of Raymond Trowbridge and Hilda (Mix) Viets, was born in Schenectady, New York, March 1, 1917. She married on May 6, 1944 in the First Methodist Church of Schenectady, Donald D. Thor, born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 15, 1920, son of Joseph and Mildred (Dedrick) Thor.

Mrs. Thor was graduated from Pratt Institute in 1938 where she majored in dietetics. Mr. Thor is a graduate of Marquette University and was employed

with General Electric as an electrical engineer in Schenectady. Children, born in Schenetady:

i. Paul Viets Thor, born March 10, 1946.
ii. Elaine Beverly Thor, born November 5, 1948.
iii. Philip Wayne Thor, born June 6, 1952.

**903. (Wallace Trowbridge[9], Raymond T.[8], George C.[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])**

Wallace Trowbridge Viets, son of Raymond Trowbridge and Hilda Wallace (Mix) Viets, was born in Schenectady, New York, November 26, 1919. He married June 3, 1944 in New Haven, Connecticut, Evelyn Louise Cole, born in New Haven, July 3, 1921, daughter of Ralph Brooks and Martha Camberne (Chambers) Cole.

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> Viets, Wallace Trowbridge, clergyman; b. Schenectady, Nov. 26, 1919; s Raymond Trowbridge and Hilda Wallace (Mix) V.; B.A., Yale, 1941, B.D., 1944; S.T.M., Hartford Sem. Found., 1950; D.D., Shorter Coll., Little Rock, 1972, Allen U., 1976; m. Evelyn Louise Cole, June 3, 1944; children--Raymond, Robert, Wesley, Marian. Ordained to ministry United Methodist Ch., 1943; pastor chs. in Conn. and N.Y., 1943-73; dist. supt. Conn. West dist. United Meth. Ch., Stamford, 1973-; lectr. Yale Div. Sch., 1960-1966; chaplain Pilgrim State Hosp., East Brentwood, N.Y., 1944-45; conf. preacher 7th dist. A.M.E. Ch., 1973-76. Legislative rep. N.Y. State Council Chs., 1951-58. Chmn. New Haven City Plan Commn., 1965-66. Trustee Hartford Sem., 1949-53; bd. dirs. Glens Falls (N.Y.) YMCA, 1958-60, Yale Alumni Fund, 1972-, Fellow Timothy Dwight Coll., Yale. Mason, Rotarian (pres. Huntingon, N.Y. 1973). Clubs: Yale (N.Y.C.); Huntington Country. Author: Seven Days That Changed The World, 1962; My God, Why? (Religious Book Club Selection), 1966. Home: 791 Newfield Ave Stamford CT 06905 Office: Box 3007 Stamford, CT 06905.

In addition the Reverend Wallace T. Viets has taken post-graduate study at Boston University, Union Theological Seminary, Institute for Advanced Pastoral Studies, and the University of Edinburgh (Scotland). He has been a delegate to five World Methodist gatherings and is a Paul Harris Fellow in Rotary International. He has served as an officer in innumerable church and community organizations.

Mrs. Viets is a retired public school teacher, having taught in New York and Connecticut. She holds an A.S. degree from Larson Junior College (1940), a B.S. (1945) and M.S. (1965) from Southern Connecticut, and an M.S. from C. W. Post of Long Island University. She has been very active in many church organizations. Wallace and Evelyn share the same hobbies: golf, singing, and travel. Children:

956. i. Raymond Brooks, born November 24, 1945.
957. ii. Robert Wallace, born September 1, 1947.

958. iii. Wesley Thomas, born October 30, 1950.
959. iv. Marian Louise, born May 30, 1953.

**904. (Mattie Ruth[9], Leon H.[8], Charles P.[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])**

Mattie Ruth Viets, daughter of Leon Hastings and Grace (Marks) Viets, was born in East Granby June 18, 1911. She married August 13, 1932 Rufus Isham Munsell, born in Woodbury, Connecticut, June 5, 1905, son of Stanley W. and Louise G. (Isham) Munsell. Mrs. Munsell is a graduate of the University of Connecticut with B.S. and M.S. degrees. She is a home economist whose hobbies are local history, genealogy, and bridge. Dr. Munsell has a Ph.D. degree from Ohio State University. He is now retired from teaching agronomy at the University of Connecticut but is yet active in many local organizations. They reside in Storrs, Connecticut. Child:

i. Joanne Grace Munsell, born June 4, 1933 in Mansfield, Connecticut. She married September 18, 1954 James T. Simonson. Five children (Simonson).

**905. (Charles Oren[9], Leon H.[8], Charles P.[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])**

Charles Oren Viets, son of Leon Hastings and Grace (Marks) Viets, was born in East Granby May 13, 1913. He married July 15, 1936 Marjorie Eloise Orr, born in West Suffield, Connecticut, May 20, 1912, daughter of Samuel J. and Hattie L. (Dibble) Orr. Mrs. Viets was a former teacher. They resided in West Suffield. Mr. Viets died March 18, 1944 in East Granby and is buried in Elmwood Cemetery. Mrs. Viets married in West Suffield June 21, 1952 Royal Clough. Child:

i. Janet Louise, born June 7, 1942 in Hartford.

**906. (William James[9], Leon H.[8], Charles P.[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])**

William James Viets, son of Leon Hastings and Grace (Marks) Viets, was born in East Granby January 17, 1915. He married August 25, 1939 Marjorie A. Lancaster, born in Hartford August 8, 1918, daughter of Jesse G. and Anna (Babicki) Lancaster. They reside in East Granby. Children, born in Hartford:

960. i. Grace Ann, born February 26, 1940.
961. ii. James William, born March 8, 1945.
iii. Nancy Jane, born June 29, 1947; married October 18, 1975 Thomas E. Calabrece.
iv. Peter Charles, born December 29, 1951; married May 19, 1985 Cynthia Richter.

907. (Ralph Hastings[9], Leon H.[8], Charles P.[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Ralph Hastings Viets, son of Leon Hastings and Grace (Marks) Viets, was born in East Granby August 31, 1922. He married in Southwick, Massachusetts, October 24, 1943 Sally Frances Packard, born in Houlton, Maine, January 14, 1924, daughter of Thomas Putnam and Ann Elizabeth (Houdlette) Packard. They reside in East Granby, Connecticut. Mr. Viets is a dairy cattle and livestock farmer, and is the current (1989) president of the Viets Association. Children, born in Hartford:

962. i. Alan Brian, born November 27, 1944.
963. ii. Daniel Packard, born October 26, 1946.
iii. Susan Ann, born March 21, 1948.

908. (Leon Hastings[9], Leon H.[8], Charles P.[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Leon Hastings Viets Jr., son of Leon Hastings and Mildred (Taylor) Hamilton, was born January 22, 1934 in East Granby. He married as his first wife, August 1, 1953 Shirley L. Howard. He married second Lois Scala. Mr. Viets is a farmer in East Granby. Children [family data taken from Viets Family 1962 reunion reports]:

i. Michael.
ii. Scott.
iii. Timothy.
iv. Kelly'Gean, born June 28, 1962. She was the youngest member present at the 1962 reunion.

909. (Melissa Ann[9], John B.[8], John B.[7], Frederick H.[6], James R.[5], John[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Melissa Ann Viets, daughter of John Bartlett Jr. and Karyl (McMinn) Viets, was born January 27, 1961 in San Francisco. She is a stock broker. She was married on September 13, 1987 to David Lurie. They reside in the Bay area of California.

910. Maureen Adele[9], Roland A. L.[8], Elwyn A.[7], Alfred W.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Maureen Adele Viets, daughter of Roland Alfred Lewis and Joan Roseann (Keefe) Viets, was born September 4, 1956. She married May 3, 1980 John LaPlante, born June 4, 1950 in Brattleboro, Vermont, son of Herbert and Rogene (Freeto) LaPlante. He is in the pest control business. They live in Thomaston, Connecticut. Children, born in Torrington, Connecticut:

i. Eric John LaPlante, born March 14, 1982.
ii. Aimee Rose LaPlante, born June 9, 1983.

911. **Paul**[9], **Roland A. L.**[8], Elwayn A.[7], Alfred W.[6], George W.[5], George[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1])

Paul Viets, son of Roland Alfred Lewis and Joan Roseann (Keefe) Viets, was born November 5, 1957. He married June 23, 1984 Beverly Swetcky, born April 18, 1957 in Bridgeport, Connecticut, daughter of Joseph John and Theresa Lucy (Ruggiero) Swetcky. Mr. Viets is an attorney and a driver for United Parcel Service. Mrs. Viets is an attorney. No children.

## TENTH GENERATION

**912. (Roxanna L.[10], Charles F.[9], Clarence R.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Roxanna L. Viets, daughter of Charles Francis and Ruth (Burr) Viets, was born September 26, 1934 in Champion, Trumbull County, Ohio. She married first in 1950 Thomas Russ. She married second, December 28, 1957 in Southington, Ohio, Richard Wilson, born August 11, 1926, son of John Elmer and Edna (Algire) Wilson. Children, born in Warren, Ohio:

i. Debra [Russ] Wilson, born March 18, 1951.
ii. Alan Charles [Russ] Wilson, born March 7, 1953.
iii. Terri Wilson, born June 15, 1958.
iv. Peggy Wilson, born September 7, 1960.
v. Richard Wilson Jr., born September 15, 1963.

**913. (Vivian Marie[10], Kenneth E.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Vivian Marie Veits [sic], daughter of Kenneth Eugene and Doris Marie (Keeney) Veits, was born July 19, 1924. She married June 29, 1947 in Southington, Ohio, John Edward Fowler, born April 10, 1920. Children, born in Warren, Ohio:

i. John Alan Fowler, born January 18, 1949; married December 6, 1975 Jule Andres. One son (Fowler).
ii. Bruce Edward Fowler, born February 14, 1950; married September 24, 1973 Sandi Dietke. Two children (Fowler).
iii. Cathy M. Fowler, born June 26, 1953; married in August 1986 John Gibson. One son (Gibson).
iv. Donna R. Fowler, born June 25, 1959.

**914. (Arlene Mae[10], Kenneth E.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Arlene Mae Veits [sic], daughter of Kenneth Eugene and Doris Marie (Keeney) Veits, was born August 19, 1926. She married August 17, 1957 Robert Cunningham. Children:

i. Richard L. Cunningham, born May 18, 1958 in Warren, Ohio.
ii. Ronald E. Cunningham, born October 23, 1959 in Warren.
iii. Carol A. Cunningham, born June 8, 1962.

915. (Donald Eugene[10], Kenneth E.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Donald Eugene Veits [sic], son of Kenneth Eugene and Doris Marie (Keeney) Veits, was born May 23, 1933 in Southington, Ohio. He married September 10, 1953 Alice Kozak. Children:

i. Mark S., born February 26, 1955; married August 24, 1974 Carol Saterlee.
964. ii. Sharon M., born January 19, 1958.
iii. Diana J., born May 30, 1960; married May 30, 1979 William Burcher.
iv. David A., born September 7, 1963.
v. Matthew J., born February 20, 1966.

916. (Arnold Harvey[10], Kenneth E.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Arnold Harvey Veits [sic], son of Kenneth Eugene and Doris Marie (Keeney) Veits, was born June 10, 1935 in Southington, Ohio. He married September 4, 1954 Mary Jane Fowler. Children:

i. Kenneth Dale, born July 19, 1955.
965. ii. Barbara A., born August 15, 1956.

917. (Earl Eugene[10], Harlan R.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Earl Eugene Veits [sic] son of Harlan Russell and Katherine Ida (Hunter) Veits, was born February 1, 1939 in Cleveland, Ohio. He married November 3, 1962 in Avon Lake, Ohio, Nancy Ruth Fashing, born April 20, 1939 in Avon Lake, daughter of Louis R. and Elizabeth (Tomanck) Fashing. Mr. Veits is an administrator in the Los Angeles school system. Mrs. Veits is a shopkeeper with the Canterbury Art Shoppe. They share sailing and skiing hobbies. He is also interested in computers and the stock market and she likes genealogy, astronomy, and guitar. Mrs. Veits is an officer in the Professional Picture Framing Association and serves as a docent at the Cabrillo Marine Museum. They reside in Rancho Palos Verdes, California. Children, born in Inglewood, California:

i. Laurie Jean, born January 11, 1964.
ii. Wendy Sue, born May 22, 1965.

918. (Thomas Wells[10], Willard L.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Thomas Wells Veits [sic], son of Willard Lyle and Harriet (Post) Veits, was born July 14, 1943 in Warren, Ohio. He married first Sandra Reagle, born October 26, 1946, daughter of Eugene and Louise Reagle. He married second Barbara Taylor. They are divorced. Children, by first marriage:

i. Sharon Denise, born September 27, 1964 in Warren, Ohio.
ii. Andrea Jayne, born May 24, 1968 in Warren.
iii. Sheila Marie, born June 19, 1970 in Warren.

By second marriage:

iv. Melissa.

919. (Timothy Alan[10], Willard L.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Timothy Alan Veits [sic], son of Willard Lyle and Harriet (Post) Veits, was born January 10, 1947 in Ohio. He married Janine Quimby. They are divorced. Mr. Veits lives in Southington, Ohio. Children, born in Warren, Ohio:

i. Angela Marie, born May 4, 1970.
ii. Richard Alan, born December 11, 1976.

920. (Valerie Rae[10], Willard L.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Valerie Rae Veits [sic], daughter of Willard Lyle and Harriet (Post) Veits, was born August 19, 1950 in Warren, Ohio. She married in Warren August 6, 1972 Robert Wayne Reel, born September 3, 1949 in Warren, son of Robert and Peggy Jo Reel. They reside in Northfield, Ohio. Children, born in Warren, Ohio:

i. Robert Wayne Reel Jr., born September 6, 1973.
ii. Amanda Rose Reel, born May 4, 1976.

921. (Mark Willard[10], Willard L.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Mark Willard Veits [sic], son of Willard Lyle and Harriet (Post) Veits, was born August 12, 1953 in Warren, Ohio. He married in Bedford, Massachusetts, Kathleen Shea, born May 5, 1956 in Bedford, daughter of Arthur and Mary Shea. They are divorced. Children, born in Bedford, Massachusetts:

i. Mark Willard Jr., born May 19, 1975.
ii. Matthew Arthur, born May 12, 1977.

922. (Harold Russell[10], Russell E.[9], Hal H.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Harold Russell "Hal" Veits [sic], son of Russell Eli and Bernice (Lundstun) Veits, was born March 18, 1945. He married October 3, 1970 Carol Romeo. They were divorced and Mr. Veits is remarried. Children, by first marriage:

i. Daughter, adopted, born February 1980 in Calcutta, India.
ii. Gina Marie, born December 13, 1982.

**923. (Jackie Ann[10], Russell E.[9], Hal H.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Jackie Ann Veits [sic], daughter of Russell Eli and Bernice (Lundstun) Veits, was born June 13, 1948. She married April 5, 1975 Michael Path. Children:

i. Michael John Path, born September 19, 1976.
ii. Matthew John Path, born January 16, 1979.

**924. (Annette Kay[10], William E.[9], Frederick H.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Annette Kay Veits [sic], daughter of William Eugene and Lillian Mae (Medley) Veits, was born January 30, 1946 in Warren, Ohio. She married on July 10, 1968 Brian L. Evers. They were divorced in September of 1987. Children:

i. Jennifer Renee Evers, born February 18, 1976.
ii. Jason Robert Evers, born June 17, 1979.
iii. Amy Elizabeth Evers, born August 8, 1984.

**925. (Marylou[10], William E.[9], Frederick H.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Marylou Veits [sic], daughter of William Eugene and Lillian Mae (Medley) Veits, was born February 23, 1950 in Warren, Ohio. She married June 25, 1971 Larry Powell. Children:

i. Wendy Lynn Powell, born June 28, 1973.
ii. Sandi Lee Powell, born July 11, 1974.
iii. Mark David Powell, born March 18, 1977.

**926. (Janice Carol[10], Joseph W.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])**

Janice Carol Viets, daughter of Joseph Wayne and Elvarene Mae (Wilrich) Viets, was born July 26, 1936 in Garrettsville, Ohio. She married July 24, 1955 Delbert Gene Hopkins. They were divorced October 20, 1978. She married second on June 30, 1979 William Campbell Cowan. Children:

i. Heidi Mae Hopkins, born February 13, 1961 in Warren, Ohio; married April 4, 1980 Stewart Miller. Two sons (Miller).
ii. Mark Hans Hopkins, born December 22, 1962 in Ravenna, Ohio.
iii. Erik Heston Hopkins, born September 20, 1968 in Detroit, Michigan.
iv. Karl Leonard Gordon Hopkins, born May 15, 1970 in Detroit.

927. (Beverly Ann[10], Joseph W.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Beverly Ann Viets, daughter of Joseph Wayne and Elvarene Mae (Wilrich) Viets, was born November 11, 1937 in Farmington, Ohio. She married June 14, 1957 Richard Lee Smith. Children, born in Southington, Ohio:

i. Bradley Wayne Smith, born June 20, 1959; married May 23, 1981 Brenda Miller.
ii. Pamela Sue Smith, born October 3, 1962; married October 25, 1978 Mark Hall. Two daughters (Hall).

928. (Roberta Katherine[10], Robert C.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Roberta Katherine Viets, daughter of Robert Charles and Dorothy Gladys (Striebing) Viets, was born July 17, 1942 in Cleveland, Ohio. She married Dennis Petch, born March 13, 1942 in Cline, Ohio. Children, born in Cline, Ohio:

i. Denise Marie Petch, born July 28, 1961.
ii. Dawn Marie Petch, born June 7, 1965.

929. (Renee Lynn[10], Lyle W.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Renee Lynn Viets, daughter of Lyle William and Ruth (Enoch) Viets, was born January 20, 1954. She married May 18, 1974 Donald Lee Bentley. They were divorced February 27, 1977. She married second July 22, 1978 Kevin Brian Lewis, born March 11, 1955. Children:

i. Sara Jean Lewis, born June 19, 1983.
ii. Bryan Paul Lewis, born October 4, 1985.

930. (Darlene Rae[10], Lyle W.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Darlene Rae Viets, daughter of Lyle William and Ruth (Enoch) Viets, was born April 5, 1955. She married December 6, 1976 Kenneth Charles Kreigh, born February 19, 1941. Child:

i. Keith Elliott Kreigh, born April 30, 1980.

931. (Geraldine Mae[10], James L.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Geraldine Mae, twin daughter of James LeRoy and Venna Jane (Perks) Viets, was born June 15, 1950. She married November 17, 1977 Richard Buchwald, born September 11, 1946.

932. (Genevieve Marie[10], James L.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Genevieve Marie Viets, twin daughter of James LeRoy and Venna Jane (Perks) Viets, was born June 15, 1950. She married November 27, 1968 Thomas E. Yekel, born January 12, 1946. Children:

i. Traci Elizabeth Yekel, born June 17, 1970.
ii. Thomas John Yekel, born July 18, 1972.

933. (Joe Edward[10], James L.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Joe Edward Viets Sr., son of James LeRoy and Venna Jane (Perks) Viets, was born July 17, 1954. He married July 25, 1972 Deborah Lee Croyle, born November 16, 1952. Children:

i. Joe Edward [Croyle], born February 26, 1971. Name changed to Joe Edward Viets Jr. February 26, 1973.
ii. James Edward, born March 3, 1973.
iii. Jenifer Elaine, born August 22, 1974.
iv. Francis John, born March 23, 1978.

934. (Darla Jean[10], James L.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Darla Jean Viets, daughter of James LeRoy and Venna Jane (Perks) Viets, was born October 12, 1959. She married July 28, 1979 Douglas Kehres, born November 21, 1957. Child:

i. Douglas Luke Kehres, born November 21, 1983.

935. (William Joseph[10], Norman T.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

William Joseph Viets, son of Norman Todd and Beverly Paige (Brakeman) Viets, was born September 26, 1954 in Quantico, Virginia. He married August 25, 1978 Joice Ann Liebel, born November 4, 1958 in Fairview, Pennsylvania. Child:

i. William Joseph II, born September 30, 1979 in Charleston, South Carolina.

936. (Richard Todd[10], Norman T.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Richard Todd, son of Norman Todd and Beverly Paige (Brakeman) Viets, was born September 5, 1955 in Quantico, Virginia. He married July 11, 1974 Anita Louise Syron, born May 4, 1955 in Youngstown, Ohio. They are divorced. Children, born in Youngstown:

i. Richard Todd Jr., born January 19, 1976.
11. Tara Ann, born August 15, 1978.

937. (Robin Paige[10], Norman T.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Robin Paige Viets, daughter of Norman Todd and Beverly Paige (Brakeman) Viets, was born January 8, 1957 in Greenville, Pennsylvania. She married June 30, 1984 Robert Alan Stock, born May 6, 1957 in Youngstown, Ohio. Child:

i. Craig Robert Stock, born May 21, 1987 in Youngstown, Ohio.

938. (Michael Norman[10], Norman T.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Michael Norman Viets, son of Norman Todd and Beverly Paige (Brakeman) Viets, was born February 16, 1958 in Warren, Ohio. He married first, April 21, 1978 Debra Ellen McKendrick, born April 13, 1960. He married second, August 25, 1984 Marlene Wollet.

939. (Darrell Craig[10], Norman T.[9], Joseph M.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1])

Darrell Craig Viets, son of Norman Todd and Beverly Paige (Brakeman) Viets, was born November 14, 1962 in Youngstown, Ohio. He married March 16, 1985 Judi Mazerick, born September 25, 1962. Child:

i. Jennalynn, born July 9, 1986 in Youngstown, Ohio.

940. (James D.[10], Charles W.[9], Melvin[8], William[7], William[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

James D. "Chip" Viets, son of Charles William and Martha Marie (White) Viets, was born July 18, 1958 in Dayton, Ohio. He married April 7, 1984 in Columbus, Ohio, Christa Anne Brennan, born August 6, 1959 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, daughter of Donald L. and Janet (Cawley) Brennan. Mr. Viets is an attorney whose hobbies are golf, photography, skiiing, and travel. He holds a B.A. in political science from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, and a J.D. from the University of Dayton School of Law. Mrs. Viets is a marketing representative who enjoys skiing, aerobic exercise, crafts, and travel. She holds a B.A. in public administration from Miami University. No children.

941. (Scott A.[10], Robert L.[9], Lewis W.[8], Orville D.[7], John W.[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Scott A. Viets, son of Robert Lewis and Cristina (Hallery) Viets, was born July 16, 1955 in Dayton, Ohio. He married February 16, 1980 in Vandalia, Ohio, Beatrice Dawn Kelley, born January 8, 1957 in Dayton, daughter of Harold

and Phyllis (Stewart) Kelley. Mr. Viets is a truck driver; his hobby is fishing. Mrs. Viets enjoys crafts. They reside in Dayton. Children:

i. Adam Toomey, born January 7, 1974 in Kenton, Ohio.
ii. Alisha Kauffman, born February 5, 1974 in Dayton.
iii. Alexy Viets, born May 29, 1980 in Dayton.

942. (Tracy Lee[10], Brian W.[9], William H.[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Tracy Lee Viets, daughter of Brian Wayne and Stella (Burkin) Viets, was born March 24, 1959 in Tucson, Arizona. She married January 30, 1982 Alan A. Olson. Child:

i. Brittany Marie Olson, born November 20, 1984.

943. (Yevett Pauline[10], Daniel E.[9], Hiram R.[8], Bertie[7], Elijah[6], Hezekiah[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Yevett Pauline Viets, daughter of Daniel Earl and Cheri Joan (LaRow) Viets, was born November 19, 1963. She married November 3, 1985 James Smith.

944. (Kelly Charles[10], Maurice C.[9], Leroy R.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Kelly Charles "K.C." Viets, son of Maurice Charles "Kelly" and Edna Lorene (Felt) Viets, was born October 28, 1942 in Hutchinson, Reno County, Kansas. He married in Overland Park, Kansas, August 25, 1963 Julie Helen Sherard, born October 8, 1942 in Mission, Kansas, daughter of John Carroll and Helen Sherard. Mr. Viets is a consulting engineer with a B.S. degree from Emporia State University. He served in the Vietnam war. His hobby is computers. The family resides in Olathe, Kansas. Children, born in Mission, Johnson County, Kansas:

i. David Charles, born August 29, 1966.
ii. Laura Carroll, born July 14, 1970.

945. (John Arthur[10], Maurice C.[9], Leroy R.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

John Arthur "Jack" Viets, son of Maurice Charles "Kelly" and Edna Lorene (Felt) Viets, was born May 8, 1946 in Kansas City, Missouri. He married, in the same city, September 2, 1967 Joyce Ann Rose, born in Kansas City, December 16, 1947, daughter of George and Alma Jean (Searcy) Rose. Mr. Viets is an electronics technician with a degree from Kansas State College at Pittsburg, Kansas. He holds a radio operator's license and his work involves the repair of police radios. He served in the Air Force during the Vietnam War. Mrs. Viets is employed by the U. S. Internal Revenue Service. Children, born In Kansas City, Missouri:

i. Bryan Douglas, born August 29, 1968.
ii. Bradley Curtis, born October 28, 1970.
iii. Wendy Leeane, born October 15, 1972.
iv. Daniel Jason, born March 15, 1977.
v. Kevin, born August 4, 1978.

946. (Barbara Lorene[10], Maurice C.[9], Leroy R.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Barbara Lorene Viets, daughter of Maurice Charles "Kelly" and Edna Lorene (Felt) Viets, was born December 15, 1949 in Kansas City, Missouri. She married at Baldwin, Kansas, June 5, 1970 Ray Eugene Haberstroh, son of Ray E. Jr. and Mary (Garrett) Haberstroh. Mrs. Haberstroh holds a B.S. degree from Baker University in Baldwin, Kansas. She is a teacher in the Olathe, Kansas, school system. Mr. Haberstroh has a B.S. degree in mathematics from Baker University. He is a construction estimator for a building contractor. Children:

i. Christopher Eric Haberstroh, born February 3, 1976 in Kansas City.
ii. Ryan Lee Haberstroh, born November 15, 1977 in Kansas City.
iii. Robin Evan Haberstroh, born November 1, 1980 in Overland Park, Kansas.

947. (Dona Rhu[10], Donald C.[9], Leslie C.[8], Clinton H.[7], John[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Dona Rhu Viets, daughter of Donald Clinton and Ruth Elizabeth (Paulin) Viets, was born March 28, 1950 in Wichita, Kansas. She married January 22, 1977 Philip Edward Coleman, born July 8, 1949 in Wichita, son of John Wesley and Bunice Marie (Turner) Coleman. Mrs. Coleman has an A.B. degree from Friends University, an M.Ed. from Wichita State, and a Ph.D. from Kansas State University. She has been a professor of English, psychology, and teacher training at Friends University in Wichita since 1981. In 1981 Dr. Coleman was voted an Outstanding Young Woman of America, and in 1983 an Outstanding Young Educator, Wichita Jaycees. Her hobbies are travel, reading, swimming, and aerobics.

Mr. Coleman holds an A.B. degree from Friends University, an M.S. in food nutrition from Kansas State, and is presently taking more advanced work at the latter institution. He was certified at the Cordon Bleu Cookery School in London, England in 1980. He is now a computer programmer for Farm Credit Systems in Wichita. He enjoys jogging, photography, and cooking (which is actually a profession, too). Children, born in Wichita, Kansas:

i. Andrew John Clinton Coleman, born December 23, 1982.
ii. David Philip Wight Coleman, born May 3, 1985.

948. (Jeffrey Jon[10], Harrison F.[9], Harry L.[8], Edgar S.[7], Harrison[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Jeffrey Jon Viets, son of Harrison Frederick "Jack" and Dorothy Shirley (White) Viets, was born December 28, 1942 in Glendale, California. He married December 4, 1965 in Los Angeles County, Virginia N. (Tucker) Morean, born April 24, 1934 in Denver, Colorado, daughter of John N. Tucker. They were divorced January 1986 and she married Ralph Watkins. Mr. Viets is an aircraft systems test and analysis engineer, and has worked for the Lockheed California Company for twenty-five years. He has a four-year apprenticeship as an aircraft avionics technician. His hobbies are cooking and computers. He resides in Canyon County, California. Children [first two children from wife's first marriage, adopted by Jeffrey]:

i. Becky, born April 25, 1958 in Chicago; married Earl Plumer.
ii. Byron, born December 30, 1962 in Burbank, California. He married Leslie Rowden. They are now separated.
iii. Leslie Ann, born May 15, 1967 in Burbank.
iv. Wendy Lucille, born December 4, 1971 in Burbank.

949. (Bradley Alan[10], Harrison F.[9], Harry L.[8], Edgar S.[7], Harrison[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

Bradley Alan Viets, son of Harrison Frederick "Jack" and Dorothy Shirley (White) Viets, was born April 5, 1945 in Glendale, California. He married in Burbank, California, February 2, 1969 Sabine Albina Federmann, born February 27, 1949 in Frankfurt, Germany, daughter of Max Joseph and Leda Ersilia Maria (Pomi) Federmann. Mr. Viets is a quality auditor with the Hewlett-Packard Company. He holds an A.A. and A.S. in electronics and a B.A. in management and in economics. He served with the U.S. Navy 1966 to 1970. His hobbies are rocks and minerals, jewelry, hiking and backpacking, church, and coins. Mrs. Viets has an A.A. in secretarial science. Children:

i. Michael Gregory, born December 20, 1972 in Mountain View, California.
ii. Eric Christopher, born October 2, 1976 in Santa Rosa, California.

950. (David Russell[10], Harrison F.[9], Harry L.[8], Edgar S.[7], Harrison[6], Harvey[5], Hezekiah P.[4], John[3], John[2], John[1])

David Russell Viets, son of Harrison Frederick "Jack" and Dorothy Shirley (White) Viets, was born February 11, 1947 in Glendale, California. He married in Los Angeles County April 4, 1979 L. Karen Ledahl, born September 15, 1952 in Glendale, daughter of Reuben "Lee" and Elayne (Allason) Ledahl. Mr. Viets is a communications technician with Pacific Bell. His hobbies are mineralogy and his home computer. He participated in the naval recovery of Apollo 10 space missile. He has been a volunteer for ten years in the field of child abuse prevention. He has climbed Mt. Whitney, Mt. Shasta, Mt. Hood, Mt. Lassen, and Mt. Ranier. He holds a B.A. in psychology and an M.A. in education (childhood mental health). Mrs. Viets holds a B.A. in English and

is a teacher at the junior high level. Her hobbies are horses and they own three. They reside in Lakeview Terrace, California. No children.

951. (Laureen Carole[10], Warren R.[9], Harry A.[8], Eugene F.[7], Fayette[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1].)

Laureen Carole Viets, daughter of Warren Randall and Marjorie Lois (Bolton) Viets, was born April 8, 1945 in Greenfield, Massachusetts. She married August 16, 1969 in Sacramento, California, Robert J. Cornilsen, born April 7, 1942 in Roseburg, Oregon, son of John and Beatrice (Gunther) Cornilsen. They reside in Boulder, Colorado. Child:

i. Erik Warren Cornilsen, born April 23, 1974 in Boulder.

952. (Robert Randall[10], Warren R.[9], Harry A.[8], Eugene F.[7], Fayette[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1].)

Robert Randall Viets, son of Warren Randall and Marjorie Lois (Bolton) Viets, was born September 21, 1946 in Greenfield, Massachusetts. He married first on April 23, 1965 in Sacramento, California, Sandra L. Huffman, born March 1, 1948, daughter of Eugene Huffman. He married second in Sacramento October 24, 1981 Elaine J. Hagopian, born September 28, 1951 in Fresno, California, daughter of Harry and Dorothy (Ohanesian) Hagopian. Children, by first marriage, born in Sacramento:

966. i. Wendy Lynn, born August 21, 1965.
ii. James Randall, born April 28, 1967.

953. (Roger Warren[10], Warren R.[9], Harry A.[8], Eugene F.[7], Fayette[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth[3], John[2], John[1].)

Roger Warren Viets, son of Warren Randall and Marjorie Lois (Bolton) Viets, was born September 17, 1955 in Sacramento, California. He married first on December 6, 1980 Patricia Smith. He married second in Roseburg, Oregon, October 11, 1986 Claudia V. Waycott, born February 14, 1954, in Riverside, California, daughter of Clark Howard and Veronica (Guadelarich) Waycott. She was previously married to Robert T. Rodman. Mr. Viets has a B.S. in forestry from the University of California-Berkeley in 1978. He is a forestry technician; his hobbies are skiing, golfing, and woodworking. Mrs. Viets is a registered nurse with an A.A. in nursing. She enjoys cross stitching. They reside in Medford, Oregon. Child, by second marriage:

i. Philip Ryan, born August 17, 1987 in Roseburg, Oregon.

954. (Janet Lynn[10], Robert L.[9], Harold L.[8], Abner C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1].)

Janet Lynn Viets, daughter of Robert Lucius and Mary Gwendolyn (Cook) Viets, was born November 23, 1947 in Youngstown, Ohio. She married August 1, 1947 in

Warren, Ohio, Kimber Bettiker, born August 1, 1947 in Warren, son of Lloyd W. and Blodwin Ruth (James) Bettiker. They reside in Cortland, Ohio. Children:

i. Robert Lloyd Bettiker, born December 31, 1967 in Youngstown. He attends Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
ii. Traci Lynn Bettiker, born October 11, 1970 in Youngstown.
iii. Wendy Lyn Bettiker, born January 27, 1974 in Warren, Ohio.

955. (Roger Lee[10], Robert L.[9], Harold L.[8], Abner C.[7], Abner C.[6], Drayton[5], Abner[4], Abner[3], John[2], John[1].)

Roger Lee Viets, son of Robert Lucius and Mary Gwendolyn (Cook) Viets, was born March 8, 1949 in Ohio. He married in Fowler, Ohio, September 4, 1971 Anne Moore, born July 23, 1949 in Youngstown, Ohio, daughter of William Summers and Margaret Elizabeth (Ransom) Moore. Children:

i. Ryan William, born July 2, 1972.
ii. Robert Lee, born November 28, 1975.

956. (Raymond Brooks[10], Wallace T.[9], Raymond T.[8], George C.[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1].)

Raymond Brooks Viets, son of Wallace Trowbridge and Evelyn Louise (Cole) Viets, was born November 24, 1945 in Brooklyn, New York. He married October 3, 1987 in San Francisco, California, Victoria Carla Sozzi, born October 6, 1954 in London, England, daughter of Vittorio and Carla (Rondina) Sozzi. Mr. Viets is a career civil servant with the U.S. Government. He has a B.A. in American studies from Yale and one year in a resident M.B.A. program at Rutgers Graduate School of Business Administration. His hobbies are reading history, watching movies, and sailing.

He served in the regular army 1965-1968 with 30 months in West Germany. He was in the Army National Guard 1972-78 as Sergeant, Staff Sergeant, and Second Lieutenant of Field Artillery, and First Lieutenant of Military Police. Since 1978 he has been in the U.S. Army Reserve as First Lieutenant, Captain, and Major of Military Police with six months in West Germany as General Staff Captain, 1981-82.

Mrs. Viets is also a career civil servant with the U.S. Government. She holds a B.S. degree in applied mathematics from the University of California. She served in the Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corp with active duty in Washington, D.C., as Ensign and Lieutenant (jg) from 1977 to 1980. She resigned as Lieutenant, U.S. Naval Reserve, in 1986. Her hobby is horseback riding. They live in Arlington, Virginia.

957. (Robert Wallace[10], Wallace T.[9], Raymond T.[8], George C.[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1].)

Robert Wallace Viets, son of Wallace Trowbridge and Evelyn Louise (Cole) Viets, was born September 1, 1947 in Brooklyn, New York. He married December

27, 1969 Meredith Elliot, born April 23, 1947 in Floral Park, New York, daughter of Jack and Miriam (Wagner) Elliott. Children, born in Huntington, New York:

i. Ryan Brooks, born July 20, 1980.
ii. Whitney Meredith, born May 1, 1987.

958. (Wesley Thomas[10], Wallace T.[9], Raymond T.[8], George C.[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1].)

Wesley Thomas Viets, son of Wallace Trowbridge and Evelyn Louise (Cole) Viets, was born October 30, 1950 in Hartford, Connecticut. He married first on April 26, 1975 Patricia Ann Howarth. He married second on July 14, 1984 in San Jose, California, Penni Lee Gustafson, born April 13, 1951 in San Jose, daughter of Ellis John and Edna Myrtle (Statler) Gustafson. Mr. Viets is project manager for the Westinghouse Electric Corporation in Sunnyvale, California. He is a certified professional logistician. He holds a B.A. in history from Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and has completed graduate studies in management and cybernetic systems. He was in the U.S. Army 1972-1974; served in the U.S. Army Reserve 1975-76 as a Lieutenant, Military Intelligence; served in both the Pennsylvania, and California National Guard.

Mrs. Viets is a departmental assistant in the GMC Corporation in San Jose, California. Mr. Viets' hobbies are distance running, softball, sports, astronomy, and gardening. His wife enjoys reading, running, and gardening. They reside in San Jose. No children.

959. (Marian Louise[10], Wallace T.[9], Raymond T.[8], George C.[7], Charles R.[6], Gervase[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1].)

Marian Louise Viets, daughter of Wallace Trowbridge and Evelyn Louise (Cole) Viets, was born May 30, 1953 in Albany, New York. She married in Centerport, New York, January 31, 1987 Philip Nathan Carter, born September 20, 1955 in Jacksonville, Florida, son of George Christy and Grace Mildred (Prom) Carter. Mrs. Carter is a human factors engineer with a B.A. in psychology from Mt. Holyoke College and an M.S. from Stevens Institute of Technology. Mr. Carter is a psychologist with a B.A. from Stetson University and an M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh. They both enjoy hiking and cross country skiing. Mrs. Carter's other hobbies are running, singing, biking, canoeing, and sewing while her husband enjoys history and woodworking. They reside in Red Bank, New Jersey. Child:

i. Christopher Wallace Carter, born December 31, 1988.

960. (Grace Ann[10], William J.[9], Leon H.[8], Charles P.[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1].)

Grace Ann Viets, daughter of William James and Marjorie A. (Lancaster) Viets, was born February 26, 1940 in Hartford. She married October 26, 1956 in East

Granby, Norman R. Lawley, born January 13, 1938 in Bristol, son of Leon L. and L. Gertrude (Merrill) Lawley. They were divorced in November of 1986. Mrs. Lawley holds an A.A. liberal arts degree from Greenfield Community College and 1 year at Mt. Holyoke College. Her hobbies are classical music, theatre, dance, reading, hiking/back packing, and travel. She is a human resources specialist with the Boise Cascade Corporation. She lives in Brattleboro, Vermont. Children, born in Hartford:

i. Stephen Paul Lawley, born April 24, 1958; married June 1986 Cindy Brown.
ii. Todd Jonathan Lawley, born March 15, 1960; married December 1986 Katrina Gallup.
iii. Scott James Lawley, born February 13, 1964; married November 1987 Anne B. Liles.

961. James William[10], William J.[9], Leon H.[8], Charles P.[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1].)

James William Viets, son of William James and Marjorie A. (Lancaster) Viets, was born March 8, 1945 in Hartford. He married first Karen Karpey, born May 5, 1947 in New Britain, daughter of Leonard and Mary (Cherpak) Karpey. He married December 11, 1969 Patricia Clough. They reside in Apache Junction, Arizona. Child, by first marriage:

i. William James, born April 10, 1968 in Hartford.

962. (Alan Brian[10], Ralph H.[9], Leon H.[8], Charles P.[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1].)

Alan Brian Viets, son of Ralph Hastings and Sally (Packard) Viets, was born November 27, 1944 in Hartford. He married August 8, 1970 Ann Cathrine Aledal, born March 2, 1944 in Norrkoping, Sweden, daughter of Arthur and Wivan (Hultgren) Aledal.

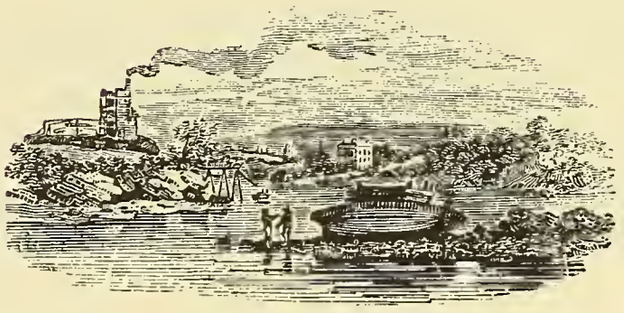
Mrs. Viets is a board member of the East Granby Library Association, a past vice president of the PTA and a member of American Field Service Host Parents. Her hobbies are embroidering, reading, and cross country skiing. Mr. Viets is a landscape architect. Both enjoy traveling, and his hobbies are golf and fishing. He is a past president of the Historical Society and a past vice president of the PTA in East Granby. He is a member of the American Society of Landscape Architects. He was a Scandinavian Seminar Scholar, a student of Uppsala University in Sweden, and holds a bachelor of landscape architecture from the University of Oregon. Children:

i. Christopher Jamie, born May 21, 1971 in Stockholm, Sweden.
ii. John Leon Viets, born January 26, 1973 in Hartford.

963. (Daniel Packard[10], Ralph H.[9], Leon H.[8], Charles P.[7], William A.[6], Henry W.[5], Luke[4], Luke[3], John[2], John[1].)

Daniel Packard Viets, son of Ralph Hastings and Sally (Packard) Viets, was born October 26, 1946 in Hartford. He married June 22, 1968 Jo Linda Romano. Children, born in Hartford:

i. Nathan Daniel, born October 27, 1974.
ii. Rebecca Ann, born November 18, 1977.



## ELEVENTH GENERATION

964. (Sharon M.[11], Donald E.[10], Kenneth E.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1].)

Sharon M. Veits [sic], daughter of Donald Eugene and Alice (Kozak) Veits, was born January 19, 1958. She married Ted Kotsakis. Child:

i. Crystal Lynn Kotsakis, born June 24, 1978.

965. (Barbara A.[11], Arnold H.[10], Kenneth E.[9], Eugene W.[8], Francis[7], Russell[6], Zopher[5], Luke[4], David[3], Henry[2], John[1].)

Barbara A. Veits [sic], daughter of Arnold Harvey and Mary Jane (Fowler) Veits, was born August 15, 1956. She married August 27, 1974 Lynn Gaehle. Child:

i. Amy Marie Gaehl, born November 13, 1975.

966. (Wendy Lynn[11], Robert R.[10], Warren R.[9], Harry A.[8], Eugene F.[7], Fayette[6], Henry[5], Seth[4], Seth [3], John[2], John[1].)

Wendy Lynn Viets, daughter of Robert Randall and Sandra L. (Huffman) Viets, was born August 21, 1965 in Sacramento, California. She married June 15, 1985 Joseph Michael Gendreaux. Child:

i. Joseph William Gendreaux, born May 27, 1986 in Sacramento, California.

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"Good reader, blame not the wrytter for that that is myssing in this booke is not his faulte. What he hath found . . . as near as possybell he coulde, he hath sett downe."

From an old English parish register, 1582.

## APPENDIX A

### Benoni Viets

From Simsbury, Connecticut: Births, Marriages & Deaths, Transcribed from the Town Records, Albert C. Bates, 1898, p. 42:

> Benoni the Son of Margret Willcocksun decd born december ye 7:1714-15 baptised November 6th 1715.

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From "The Connecticut Willcocksons," George E. McCracken, The American Genealogist, Volume 59, No. 1, January 1983, p. 40:

Sergeant Samuel[2] Willcoxson, fourth son of William[1] Willcockson by his wife Margaret _____, was born at Stratford, Connecticut about 1640, and died at Simsbury, Connecticut, 12 March 1712/13, leaving by way of probate a document dated 31 March in the same year whereby the heirs of Samuel Willcoxson, namely the children of Samuel Willcoxson of the town of Simsbury, late deceased, intestate, Samuel Willcoxson, William Willcoxson, Joseph Willcoxson and Margaret Willcoxson, she signing by mark, appointed as distributors Thomas Holcomb, Samuel Case, John Pettebone, Samuel Pettebone and Joseph Case (C. W. Manwaring's Digest of Early Connecticut Probate, Hartford District 2:331), witnesses: Joseph Pettebone, Samuel Tuller and Joseph Strickland. On 6 April 1712 administration was granted sons Samuel, William and Joseph. On 18 Dec 1722, James Cornish and John Humphries appraised at 2 pounds the house owned by Sergeant Samuel Willcoxson deceased, since distributed to Margaret Willcoxson, daughter of deceased.

The aforesaid father, Samuel Willcoxson, married at an unknown date but by 1666, Hannah Rice, daughter of Richard Rice of Concord, Massachusetts, by his first wife Elizabeth _____. Hannah was still living in 1708 when her father mentioned her in his will but not living when her husband died in 1713. They were at Windsor by 1666 and he was a deputy to the General Court in 1689, 1694-1701, 1710-1712.

Issue:

i. Samuel, b. Windsor, 15 April 1666, d Simsbury, 13 Sept. 1713, shortly after his father. . . [gives marriage, issue, and details of distribution of his estate].
ii. William, d. Simsbury, 22 March 1732/3.
iii. Joseph, m. Simsbury, 29 April 1703, Abigail Thrall,. . . he is said to have d. Canton, 4 Dec. 1770, aet. 95.

iv. Margaret, d. unm. Simsbury, 21 Dec. 1714, perhaps in childbirth; gave birth to an illegitimate son Benoni Willcoxson, bapt. Simsbury, 7 Dec. 1714/15, d. there. 6 Nov. 1715. [This is an error! The first date, 7 December 1714/15, is his <u>birthdate;</u> the second date, 6 Nov. 1715, is a <u>baptismal</u> date.] On 6 March 1715/16 admin. was granted on her estate to her brother Joseph who said in his accounting that she had left no lawfull issue, strictly true, and the unlawful issue was then dead. [Not true.] On 8 Feb 1715/16 the court decided that the estate should descend to the illegitimate child whose previous death was not mentioned in the record, though it may have been told orally to the court. [He was still living!] The administrator, however, appealed, and there may be a paper at Hartford which will show what ultimately happened. [See next item.] If the child inherited his mother's estate, then the next of kin would have been his mother's brothers, as I dare say his father was unknown, and whatever estate he would have had [was] from his mother (see Manwaring 2:451). The giving of this name Benoni to the child suggests that his mother was then dead. Margaret had been admitted to Simsbury Church full communion on 18 Dec. 1705.

Note: The statements in brackets are mine - DVS

From Manwaring, A Digest of Early Connecticut Probate Records, vol. 2:

p. 45: Willcoxson, Margaret, Simsbury Invt. 78 pounds, 12 shillings, 2 pence. Taken 21 December 1714 by John Case, Samuel Pettebone and Andrew Robe.

Court Records, Page 9-6 March 1715-16: Joseph Willcoxson, Adms., exhibited account. Allowed. Joseph Willcoxson moved this court for a distribution of the estate to the brothers and sisters of the deceased, there being no <u>lawful issue.</u> [Emphasis mine - DVS.]

p. 11: 8 Feb. 1715/16: This court decided it as their opinion that in this case the said estate doth rightfully descend to the child of the deceased, though an illegitimate issue. Joseph Willcoxson appealed from this decree to the Superior Court 3 September next.

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From American Given Names, George R. Stewart, New York: Oxford University Press, 1979:

Meaning of the name "Benoni" -

Hebrew. Means son of my sorrow. The name occurs only once in the Bible (Genesis 35:18) in the pathetic story of Rachel's death in childbirth. "As her soul was in departing. . . . she called his name Benoni." Apparently considering this too much a name of ill omen, the father, Jacob, changed the name to Benjamin.

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From Viets Genealogy, p. 20:

In the Simsbury records reference is made to property that came to Benoni Viets from his grandfather, Sargent Wilcoxson. The farm of Benoni Viets extended from near Newgate Prison southward about one-third of a mile on both sides of the highway, the house, now gone, standing on the east side under the peak.

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Extracted from Deed of Sale from Benoni Viets to William and Azariah Wilcoxson, 16 March 1754, Farmington, Connecticut, Volume 9, p. 79. FHF#0004219.

Know all men by these presents that I Benoni Viets of Simsbury in the County of Hartford & Colony of Connecticut in New England for and in Consideration of Twenty pounds money in hand Re'd to full content paid or secured to be paid by William Wilcockson and Azariah Wilcockson both of same Simsbury have given, granted and sold and Do by these presents freely and absolutely give, grant bargain sell Convey and Confirm unto them the said William & Azariah Wilcockson and to their heirs and assigns forever one certain part or parcel of land which descended and came to me from my mother, Margaret Wilcockson of said Simsbury Long Since deceased, lying in ye town of Farmington in the county aforesaid containing about three acres and a half be it more or less and is bounded east on the river South on Land of Left. James Petibone west on a ditch north on land of Samuel M_____son and is lying on the west side of the river a little southerly of _____ _____ . . .

Signed, sealed and delivered in presents of Jno Humphry James Eno Sen'r.

Hartford county/in Simsbury March 24th, 1737/8 Then personally appeared Benoni Viets the above named grantor & acknowledged the above written instrument to be his free act and deed before me.

A true entry of a deed rc'd March 16th 1754 Jos. Hooker [?] Reges'r

## APPENDIX B.

Documentation of the following two people as descendants of Dr. John Viets has not been established. The fact that both were in Connecticut at an early date would seem to indicate that they are indeed of this line.

### Sylvester Viets

Sylvester Viets was born February 11, 1815. His early life was spent around Westfield and Russell, Massachusetts, and one of these places may have been his birthplace. He married in Enfield, Christian Lucinda Parsons on September 15, 1841. At time of marriage Sylvester Viets is listed "of Russell, Massachusetts." [Allen, History of Enfield, Connecticut.] Mrs. Viets was born February 1, 1819, daughter of Asahel and Christian (Terry) Parsons of Enfield. She died in Troy, New York, September 20, 1890.

From the facts above and by a process of elimination of possible parents, one might conclude that Sylvester Viets is a late-born son of John and Lois (Phelps) Viets. [See No. 38.] John Viets supposedly moved to Rome, New York. His daughter Lois married William Brumley. There was a William Brumley, head of household in Rome, New York, in the 1830 census. The household also listed an older male and female who would fit the ages of John and Lois Viets, as well as a young male fitting the age of Sylvester. This is based on conjecture and no documentation has been found as yet.

When a young man Sylvester Viets removed to Hazardville where he manufactured gunpowder. In 1856 he went to Schaghticoke, New York, where he engaged in the same business. He died in Troy, New York, February 2, 1899. From the pen of his daughter, Ida Euphrasia Adams:

> He was a fine looking and a very smart business man. He should have been a doctor as he was an expert on burns and very successful in many other cases; always seemed to know just what to do. But he seemed to choose to be a manufacturer of powder and very successful.

Children, born in Hazardville, Connecticut:

i. Ellen Lucinda, born June 22, 1842; died October 26, 1892; married Sylvester Thompson who died before 1865. She was listed as a widow with a son, Charles, age 1 year, 9 months, living with her parents in the 1865 New York census. One son, Herbert E. Thompson, resided in Springfield, Massachusetts; has five daughters and several grandchildren.

ii. Ida Euphrasia, born November 1, 1845; died in Troy, New York, November 18, 1937. She married in 1870 Charles Adams, born September 23, 1844 in Troy. Three children (Adams).

iii. Homer Sylvester, born April 16, 1847 in Connecticut; died in

Springfield, Massachusetts, July 24, 1933.

iv. Herbert A., born February 1, 1853; married November 7, 1878 Marian Williams, born March 4, 1854 in Nashua, New Hampshire, daughter of Charles and Eliza A. (Weston) Williams. Mr. Viets died in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, July 24, 1929 and was buried in Troy, New York. He was president of Fuller-Warren Company and was the H. A. Viets mentioned on page 190 of the Viets Genealogy. One daughter who married for her first husband, Harold Bowen, and second, George Barker. Two children: Harold and Dorothy Bowen. Resided Wayne, New Jersey.

These facts are from records sent to H. Isabel Viets by Ida Euphrasia (Viets) Adams, daughter of Sylvester Viets, and from Parsons, Parsons Family: Descendants of Cornet Joseph Parsons.

## Benjamin Viets

Benjamin Viets of Lodi, Athens County, Ohio, was born between 1780 and 1790. An archive sheet in the Mormon library in Salt Lake City gives his place of birth as "Germany?" and his marriage to Lucy Kent, daughter of Andrew and Maria (Ketcham) Kent, as taking place in England. However, this sheet has many question marks on it and the information may not be reliable. He had a daughter born in Hartford, Connecticut, in 1804 which would lead one to believe that Benjamin is of the Dr. John Viets' line.

Benjamin Viets is listed in the 1830 and 1840 census of Athens County. It appears that he had a wife, two daughters, and a son (or grandson?) living in the household in 1830. There are marriage records in Athens County for a Sally Veits [sic] to Reuben J. King in 1830 and for an Eliza Veits [sic] to Rufus P. Cooley in 1823. Benjamin Viets sold property to Rufus Cooley in 1836. No further record of Reuben J. and Sally (Veits) King has been found.

Benjamin may well have been a son of Hezekiah Phelps Viets [see No. 36] as he fits the right time period, and his tie to Hartford would fit the circumstances also.

Children:

i. Eliza Ann, born May 28, 1804 in Hartford.

ii. Sally. Married in Athens County, Ohio, in 1830 to Reuben J. King.

The following is from a pedigree chart of Jess Bryan Coleman Jr. of San Diego, California [Athens County Historical Society, Athens, Ohio]. Efforts to contact Mr. Coleman were unsuccessful.

Eliza Ann Viets, daughter of Benjamin and Lucy (Kent) Viets, was born May 25, 1804 in Hartford, Connecticut. She married December 20, 1823 in Athens County, Ohio, Rufus P. Cooley. She died in Lodi, Athens County, April 26, 1874. Mr. Cooley died there May 14, 1852. [Bishop Cemetery, Lodi, Athens County, Ohio.]

Children:

i. Benjamin J. Cooley, born ca 1834; married January 11, 1859 Eliza Miles.
ii. Reuben Cooley, born ca 1836.
iii. Minerva Jane Cooley, born January 10, 1842 in Pomeroy, Meigs County, Ohio; married August 13, 1859 George Henry Coleman. She died December 6, 1911 in Bald Knob, White County, Arkansas.
iv. Mary Cooley, born ca 1846; married November 23, 1864, Richard Watts.

## APPENDIX C.

### Excerpts from letters written by Roger Viets

From Isaiah Wilson, A Geography and History of the County of Digby, Nova Scotia, 1900. From a letter written September 20, 1796 to the secretary of the Missionary Society after having reached Digby:

> . . . my situation at Digby is very agreeable to me, the people show the greatest affection for me, and are universally and strongly attached to the British Constitution, and to his Majesty. But they have been for their loyalty stripped of their property, and although they have formerly been possessed in general of substantial estate, they are now reduced to extremely low circumstances.

From Manuscript file, Data Re: [Viets] Family of Simsbury - John; and Rev. Roger of Digby, Nova Scotia, Connecticut Historical Society Library, Hartford, Connecticut.

From letters sent from Digby, Nova Scotia, to his brother Abner Viets of Granby, Connecticut:

> 10 April 1795
>
> . . . Anna and Patty are both married. Anna to Joseph Williams [?], a Sailor. Patty to John Beyea the Name is pronounced B.A., Master of one of the King's Packet Boats that passes between this Place and St. John's. . . .
>
> 11 April 1797
>
> . . . Polly lives at St. John's in New Brunswick and has a Son about 2 years old. Anna lives near us in Digby and has a Daughter about 14 Months old. . . . I should be glad to hear that my Mother is living & well now in her 80th year. . . .
>
> 26 March 1807
>
> . . . I have met with a most severe Loss, which almost distracts me! It pleased God to take away my oldest Son Botsford in the Prime & Vigor of Life. He died 12 January of a violent Nervous Fevor. Tho this is perhaps as healthy Country as almost any in the World; yet I have lost a Wife, two Children and two Grandchildren since I came here. By the Death of Botsford I am left very desitute of Help . . . If your son comes, the sooner he comes in the Spring the better. About the second or third Week in April Vessels will be at New York from Digby, but if he goes to New

York & finds no Vessel from Digby; he will find some bound to St. John's in New Brunswick or to Annapolis. Annapolis is 18 Miles from here. St. John's is about 40 Miles across the Bay of Fundy. If he comes to St. John's; let him immediately enquire for John Beyea his name sounds B.A. at the lower Cove St. John's. Betwixt St. John's & Digby there is a King's Packet goes once pr Week; Beyea is Master of one of the Packets & goes once every Fortnight. He married my Daughter Martha. Let Dan make known who he is, & he will meet with a kind reception; & he may come over to Digby with B.A. . . . Botsford has left many good Cloaths; . . . many Carpenters, Joiners & Shoemaker's Tools; which your son may use. . . . If your Son Dan is dead, or is unwilling to come; have you not another son that will come; & if not, has not Brother Luke or Seth a Son that will come. But I should rather have Your son than any. . . .

19 June 1809:

. . . As I grow very old; more than 71 years, & you are not young; And as We are both subject to Mortality; it is very necessary that We should come to a reckoning & sign the Reckoning the sooner the Better. . . . There is nobody in these Parts that I should be willing to trust with the Business of Settling our Accounts, except those who could not be spared from their Business here. My oldest son Botsford is dead. My other son Roger has the care of a Grammer School at St. John's in New Brunswick . . . My Son in Law who married Anna is not Trustworthy. My other Son in Law John Beyea, who married Patty is engaged in the King's Packet betwixt Digby & St. John's & could not lose his office for 500 pounds. . . . Relative to what my Nephew Roger Griswold owes me, I hope & trust it is well secured. . . . My Brother in Law Benjamin Buckingham has written to me. . . . P.S. Give my best Respects to our honor'd Mother; Sister Griswold, and my other Brothers & Sisters and all my Relations & Friends. And to all others, who enquire after me, especially my Brother Luke. I wish you would inform me how the church goes on, who is your Minister of the Church in Simsbury and Granby . . .

. . . This letter weighs but a little more than half an ounce, and it is a single piece of paper. The post office can demand of you for postage no more than 20 cents or 25 cents at most. If they say it weigh an ounce and demand a dollar postage, insist on seeing it weighed. Most of the postmasters in all countries are a little oppressive and not over honest.

[The postage on this letter was 12½ cents.]

28 December 1809

. . . Respecting Myself & Family. I feel the Infirmities & Pains of old Age coming fast upon me in my 72nd year of Age. You begin to grow old too. My Wife was never a very healthy, hearty Woman; but She is able yet to walk about & do some Work. Anna & Botsford have both been dead some years; Anna left 4 Children, one of whom is since dead - Botsford never was married - My Daughter Martha is married to John Beyea at St. John's

across the Bay of Fundy about 40 Miles from Digby. She has 5 Children living & has lost one - My Son Roger is an Assistant Clergyman at St. John's & has a School there besides. Tis a Grammar School supported by the Province of New Brunswick. . . . Roger is married to Eliza Knutton a very worthy, good Young Woman, and has one Child a son about 6 or 8 months old. . . . Give my affectionate Respects to all my Relations & Friends, especially to my honored Mother who will be 92 years old if She live till the 10th March next . . .

A letter from Digby, Nova Scotia, to his wife, visiting in New York, 1st August 1806. This is to his second wife, Mercy and the step-mother of his children:

My Dear Wife:

I write to you often, not knowing whether any of my Letters will ever come to your hand. But the chief satisfaction I find is in writing to you. I wrote to you 2nd July by the Lord Sheffield; again 19th July by the Hibernia. To my Brother Abner Viets about the 14th July, hoping the Letter might meet you at Simsbury.

This Letter I intend to send by way of St. John's as there are no Vessels to sail from Digby for New York soon; I shall inclose this in a Letter to Bishop Moore or Revd. Mr. Beach at New York. I received a Line from Bishop Moore 30th June who said you were at his House & rcd. the 65 Dollars of him. I was glad to find that you were able to walk to Bishop Moore's. Mrs. Ray tells me that Patty Lewis was sick; and you would not leave New York 'till she had recovered. If so I fear you will remain 'till the Sickness comes on & probably will prove fatal to both you and Patty. Hetty wrote to you and to Patty inclosed in mine by the Lord Sheffield. Botsford said he would write to you but did not.

Should you be taken away by Death, which God forbid, I should, as to this World, be of all men nearly the most miserable; & my Family would be [illegible] & embarrased in this Country as I will explain to you, when I see you again. Should you be absent from Us one year from this Time, We should be in a worse condition than We were when you first came here. Hetty keeps steady at home, works hard and does the best she can; but what can such a girl do at the Head of such a Family, so many hired People and Visitors. She does the best she can & ought not lose her Reward.

As you went from home, sick, Weak, old & lame, had a long Passage, enough to kill an hearty Woman, and going into a sickly Place in the hottest of Weather and just as the tremendous yellow Fever is coming on, & having the fatigues of tending and nursing a sick Girl. All these things expose your precious Life so much as to give me constant Anxiety Day & Night, and grieve me more than my own Infirmities, which are neither few nor small.

My Cramp is a little easier, but I am attacked by the Rheumatism & Toothach etc. But do not give yourself so much concern for me as to spoil the Comfort of your Visit: But take all the Ease & Comfort you can; None of these Pains and Ailments put my Life in immediate Danger. All Matters considered; I do not think it would be for Patty Lewis's own Benefit or Comfort to return. The circumstances of our Family have Become such that We cannot pay so much attention to her or take such Care of her as her Friends & Relatives in the States I suppose can. This Country does not seem so healthy for her as for most others. She has no Relations in Digby but you; but I suppose has many in the States. I suppose She has some Property there. I do not say these Things from any Want of Friendship or Esteem for her: But I actually think She will do better in the States than here. There is little or no chance to get into good Business or to get a good Husband in this Place, but much better chance where she is.

I wrote of much in my former long Letters as leaves me little more to write. I know of none very sick here. Sarano Jones is married to a very Young Widow at Granville, which has almost broken the Heart of Mrs. Hughston & her Daughters.

There is such a Drought here as never was known in the memory of Man. Almost every Thing is scorched up. The mowing Ground suffers most. The Pastures have no Grass, & the Cattle can scarce live in the Woods. The Potatoes are going fast. People offer to sell their Cattle at half Price, a good cow for 3 pounds.

Roger has come home, with his Cloaths in Tatters, and few left. I have expended about 8 pounds for new Cloaths for him, & he wants almost as much more. Had you been here you would have saved some Pounds. Nancy Hecht & Jane Totten have been into the House but once each, & then staid but a few Minutes. Mrs. Wisal comes often, & often talks about you.

For 3 or 4 Weeks Things went on according to your Plan; but now they are falling into the same Way as they were before you came here exactly so or rather worse. I am confident you have that Regard for my Comfort, and for the Preservation of my Family and Property that you will make your Visit as short as you conveniently can. I should think 1 Week at New York going and 1 returning. One Week at Simsbury and 4 Weeks at Norwalk would be Sufficient. In 8 or 10 Weeks Visit you may see a great many Friends & say a great Deal to them.

Mrs. Ray has returned laden with Plunder. Like the Israelites She has spoiled the Egyptians.

Were I sure this Letter will come to your Sight I would draw it out 4 Times as long as it is. Since I began my Letter I hear the Sickness is very bad in New York. As you are detained there to [illegible] of poor Girl I fear you will be overtaken by the terrible [illegible]. This gives me the utmost Anxiety Day & Night. Alas! Alas! if you should be

called away, what will become of me, & my poor Family! left without an Head & without a Guide!

Whatever else you forget; remember to get as many Garden Seeds as you can, especially Cucumber & Cabbage, and indeed all Sorts. New York is not the Place but the Country to get good Garden Seeds. Enquire for them at Norwalk, Stanford, Simsbury, etc. etc. I intend if I should live and you should return to sow treble the seeds in that garden that I have ever yet sown in one year; provided I can get garden seeds.

My earnest wish and constant Prayer is for your Welfare, both temporal & spiritual. I hope you make it your principal Concern to trust in God thro' Christ and be prepared for an happy future State which may God grant! Should I never see you again I heartily thank you for your innumerable Instances of goodness & extreme Kindness to me. Give my best Respects to all your Friends & Relatives. We live in clover at the highest Rate; Botsford will have it 2d; & Roger & Hetty are well pleased with it. We have a great Deal of Company. Mr. Norris has been here. Jack Taylor is here now. Some come to see Roger, some to see Hetty. Some to see me, etc. etc. Our Expense of living is double what it was when you were here.

Since I began this Letter, Botsford has cut his Wrist in the joint with a Chisel - Willoughby has run an old rusty Nail in his Foot; he behaves worse & worse - Hetty does the best She can; but what can such a young girl do with such a Family - Sulah Muir returned here last Sunday - David Rutherford last Monday, neither of them [with] any letter from you - David Rutherford called at Mr. Noah Jarvis and Nobody at Home - had had 4 Days Passage - You know where to direct to me, but I know not where to direct to you. I fear you have forgotten me & your other Digby Friends. Give my kindest Respects to all your Friends & mine. May God Bless & preserve you and them here and hereafter. I remain with all Gratitude & Affection your loving Husband, Roger Viets

To Mrs. Mercy Viets

P.S. Mr. Warwick & Mr. Wiswal are now canvassing for an Election for the Town of Digby. Mr. Warwick has the Start at present by 49 Majority; doubtless Warwick will gain the Election.

P.S. Botsford, Roger & Hetty all promised to write you. Hetty has written one to you & to Patty Lewis.

## APPENDIX D.

From **Person & Place, A Canadian Garland,** Boston, G. K. Hall & Co., 1974, a poem written by Roger Viets, Digby, Nova Scotia, Canada:

### Annapolis-Royal.

The King of Rivers, solemn, calm and slow;
Flows tow'rd the Sea, yet fearce is seen to flow;
On each fair Bank, the verdant Lands are seen,
In gayest Cloathings of perpetual Green:
On ev'ry Side, the Prospect brings to Sight
The Fields, the Flow'rs, and ev'ry fresh Delight;
His lovely Banks, most beauteously are grac'd
With Nature's sweet Variety of Taste.
Herbs, Fruits and Grass, with intermingled Trees
The Prospect lengthen, and the Joys increase:
The lofty Mountains rise in ev'ry View,
Creation's Glory, and its Beauty too.
To higher Grounds, the raptur'd View extends,
Whilst in the Cloud-top'd Cliffs the Landscape ends.

Fair Scenes! to which, should Angels turn their Sight;
Angels might stand astonish'd with Delight.
Majestic Groves in ev'ry View arise,
And greet with Wonder the Beholder's Eyes.

In gently Windings, where this River glides,
And Herbage thick its Current almost hides;
Where sweet Meanders lead his pleasant Course,
Where Trees and Plants and Fruits themselves disclose;
Where never-fading Groves of fragrant Fir,
And beauteous Pine perfume the ambient Air;
The Air, at once, both Health and Fragrance yields,
Like sweet Arabian or Elysian Fields.

As this delightful Stream glides tow'rd the Sea,
Thou Royal Settlement! he washes Thee;
Thou Village, blest of Heav'n, and dear to me.
Nam'd from a pious Sov'reign, now at Rest,
The Last of Stuart's Line, of Queens the best.

Amidst the rural Joys, the Town is seen,
Enclos'd with Woods and Hills, forever green:
The Streets, the Buildings, Gardens, all concert

To Please the Eye, to gratify the Heart.
But none of these so pleasing, or so fair,
As those bright Maidens, who inhabit there.

Your potent Charms, fair Nymphs, my Verse inspire,
Your Charms supply the chaste, poetic Fire.
Could these my Strains, but live, when I'm no more,
On future Fame's bright Wings, your Names should soar.

Where this romantic Village lifts her Head,
Betwixt the Royal Port and humble Mead;
The decent Mansions, deck'd with mod'rate Cost,
Of Honest Thrift, and gen'rous Owners boast;
There Skill and Industry their Sons employ,
In Works of Peace, Integrity and Joy;
Their Lives in Social, Harmless Bliss, they spend,
Then to the Grave, in honor'd Age Descend:
The hoary Sire and aged Matron see
Their prosp'rous Offspring, to the fourth Degree:
With Grief sincere, the blooming Offspring close
Their Parent's Eyes, and pay their Debt of Woes;
Then haste to honest, joyous Marriage Bands,
A newborn Race is rear'd by careful Hands:
Thro' num'rous Ages thus they'll happy move
In active Bus'ness, and in chastest Love.

The Nymphs and Swains appear in Streets and Bowers,
As Morning fresh, as lovely as the Flowers,
As bright as Phoebus, Ruler of the Day,
prudent as Pallas, and as Flora gay.

A Spire majestic rears its solemn Vane,
Where Praises, Pray'r and true Devotion reign;
Where Truth and Peace and Charity abound,
Where God is fought, and heav'nly Blessings found.
The gen'rous Flock reward their Pastor's Care,
His Pray'rs, his Wants, his Happiness they share.
Retir'd from wordly Care, from Noise and Strife,
In sacred Thoughts and Deeds, he spends his Life;
To mod'rate Bounds, his Wishes he confines,
All Views of Grandeur, Pow'r and Wealth resigns;
With Pomp and Pride can chearfully dispense,
Dead to the World, and empty Joys of Sense.

The Symphony of heav'nly Song he hears,
Celestial Concord vibrates on his Ears,
Which emulates the Musics of the Spheres.
The Band of active Youths and Virgins fair,
Rank'd in due Order, by their Teacher's Care,

The Sight of all Beholders gratify,
Sweet to the Soul, and Pleasing to the Eye.

But when their Voices found, in Songs of Praise,
When they to God's high Throne their Anthems raise,
By those harmonious sounds such Rapture's giv'n,
Their loud Hosannas waft the Soul to Heav'n:
The fourfold Parts, in one bright Center meet,
To form the blessed Harmony complete.
Lov'd by the Good, esteemed by the Wise,
To gracious Heav'n, a pleasing Sacrifice.
Each Note, each Part, each Voice, each Word conspire
T'inflame all pious Hearts with holy Fire;
Each One, in Fancy seems among the Throng
Of Angels, chanting Heav'ns eternal Song.

Hail Music, Foretaste of celestial Joy!
That always satiat'st, yet canst never cloy:
Each pure, refin'd, ecstatic Pleasure's thine,
Thou rapt'rous Science! Harmony divine!

May each kind Wish of ev'ry virtuous Heart
Be giv'n to all, who teach, or learn thine Art:
May all the Wise, and all the Good unite,
With all the Habitants of Life and Light,
To treat the Sons of Music with Respect,
Their Progress to encourage and protect.
May each Musician, and Musician's Friend
Attain to Hymns divine, which never end.

## APPENDIX E.

## VIETS' FAMILY RECIPES

### Viets Tomato Catsup

1 1/2 gallons tomato juice
2 1/2 cups sugar
3 tablespoons salt
3 tablespoons black pepper
2 tsp cinnamon
2 1/2 cups distilled vinegar
2 tsp celery seed

Cook until thick. Takes all day to cook down low.

Contributed February 4, 1986 by William Thomas Viets, Paducah, Kentucky.

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### Leb Kucken [Cookies]

3 cups sugar
2 cups light corn syrup
6 level cups unsifted flour
4 cups nuts (pecans)
2 heaping T butter
4 t baking powder
4 t cinnamon
2 t cloves
2 T whiskey
1/2 bar bitter choc grated
11 eggs, whole

Cream butter sugar add eggs one at time beat thor. add syrup & mix sift flour & spices toether with b.p. grease pans and spread cake thinly barely covers pan. not good thick. bake in mod oven while hot in pans cut in bars and ice with confec. sugar icing. bake ahead and store. use cream cheese in icing to keep soft.

Old family recipe from Amanda Viets Lefford. Contributed December 1985 by a descendant, David C. Garrett, Russellville, Arkansas.

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